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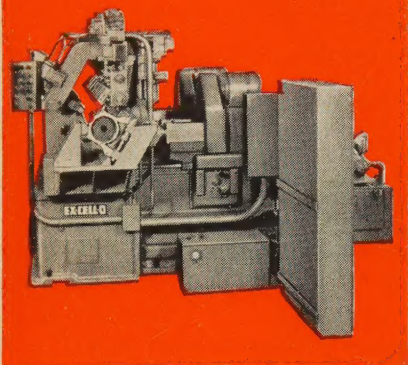
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## behind the scenes



### Merry Christmas to All

Today is Dec. 23, 1957. Since it is but two days short of Christmas, everybody on STEEL takes this opportunity to wish all of you a merry Christmas. An added thought was contributed by a little man who hibernates in the park across the street. He sent it by pigeon post:

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*Maybe Christmas would be gayer  
If the merchants and purveyors,  
The hawkers and the dealers,  
And the folks who make a deal  
Were to peradventure slacken  
All their advertising clackin',  
And grant a little respite  
E'er the bells begin to peal.*

### Cold Steel

The celebrated crack, "What's good for General Motors is good for the country, and vice versa," isn't really as terrible as it sounds. In fact, if interpreted correctly, it makes some sense. The same is true of a variation of the phrase: "What's good for the Army is good for industry." In this case, we are speaking of the Ordnance Department, and L. J. Ebert, associated with Case Institute of Technology. Dr. Ebert has been working on an extensive project for the Ordnance Department—something about beefing up the properties of cold-worked steels. Considering that Ordnance's main aim is to blow people to bits, and Case's main aim is to produce engineers, you wouldn't think the association would be of any benefit to industry. But it is; turn at once to Page 66 and learn how engineering and economic gains can be made by getting more out of cold-worked steels.

### The Stolen Ingot

Allan L. Percy, director of publicity for Fansteel Metallurgical Corp.,

North Chicago, Ill., a few weeks ago was called upon to publicize a company calamity, to wit, the theft of a 28-lb ingot of columbium (sometimes called niobium) from the company's exhibit at the New York Chemical Industries Exhibition. The ingot, made of vacuum cast metal, is 3 in. in diameter, 14 in. long, and is valued at \$5000. It cannot be melted except by the special techniques with which its was made. However, it can be cut up, and if it is, Fansteel will have a broken heart because it is believed to be the largest chunk of columbium ever produced. The loss is covered by insurance, but the company doesn't want the money; it wants the metal.

When Editor Walt Campbell heard about it, he clucked his sympathy, but couldn't help remarking that it was too bad the ingot wasn't radioactive. "We could modernize Sherlock Holmes," he grinned, "and science could triumph over pure deduction."

### Hic!

Harry W. Smith Inc., technical publicists, New York, threw a dignified wing ding on Dec. 13 at the New York Princeton Club. Invitations received by STEEL editors suggested that "the pleasures of companionship and conversation with your confreres in the editorial fraternity will be subtly enhanced with selected comestibles and potables for palates of every persuasion." The program set the pattern, listing first among the papers "Meteorological Influences on Random Satellite Sightings in the Hebrides: An Appreciation of Scotch Mist. Presented by Titus A. Drum, Cloud Chamber Supervisor, Bog, Marsh & Fen Inc."

We haven't heard anything more from that Society of Punch Bowl Engineers, but if any extraordinary publicity comes from the Harry W. Smith boys before complete recovery is established, we are going to view it plumb quizzically.

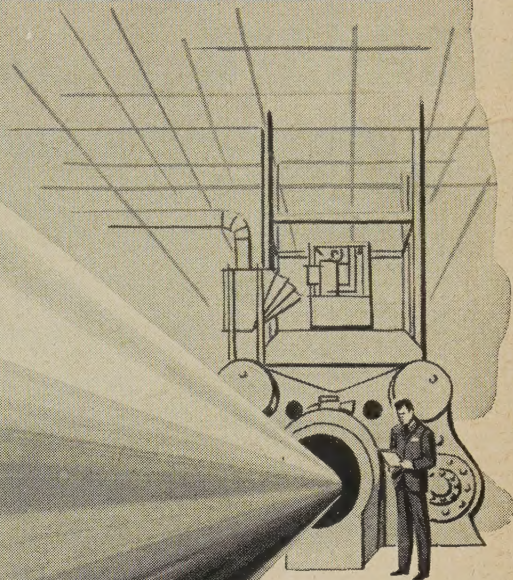
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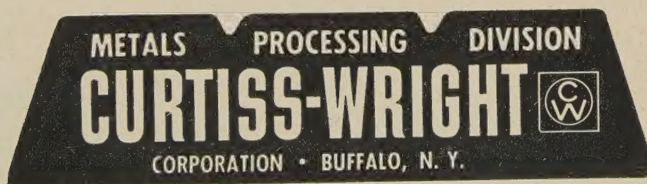
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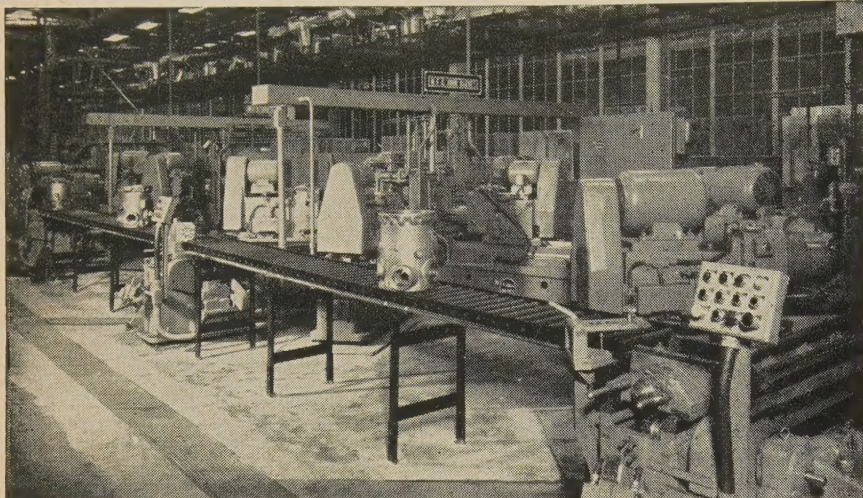


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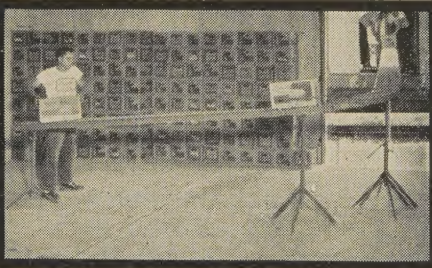
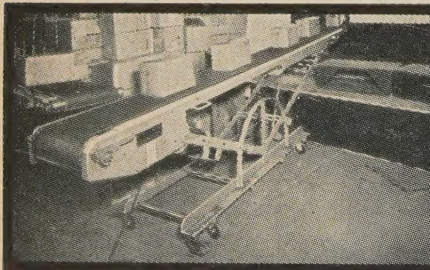


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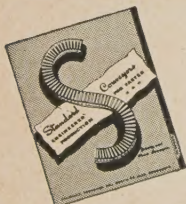
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Impressed with Editorials

I would appreciate a copy of the article, "Unbridled Electronics" (Nov. 25, Page 60).

I congratulate you on your effective material. I'm particularly impressed with your editorials. Both of your editorial writers do an outstanding job.

Earl R. Lind

Manager

Office Standards & Methods Div.  
Joseph T. Ryerson & Son Inc.  
Chicago

### Informative and Stimulating

Please send three copies of the articles, "Management's First Line" (Oct. 14, Page 76) and "How To Be a Better Boss" (Sept. 23, Page 90).

Thanks for the articles. Keep them coming. They're informative and stimulating.

J. Rupert

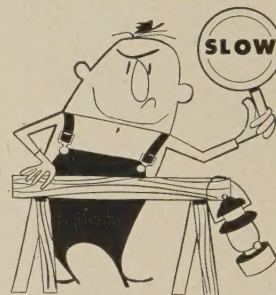
Training Supervisor  
Clearing Machine Corp.  
Chicago

### Copies for Reference

Please send two copies of your article, "Pickling Stainless To Remove Scale" (Nov. 25, Page 103). We would like to give one to our plating foreman and file one in the office for our reference copy.

Ken Shipman  
Ralph Shipman Co.  
Sunbury, Pa.

### Caution in '58 Labor Demands?



I would like a copy of the article, "'58 Worries Labor Unions" (Dec. 2, Page 53). It has a lot of valuable information I would like to keep.

Adrian H. Slereveld  
Director of Employee Relations  
Hamilton Foundry & Machine Co.  
Hamilton, Ohio

### Finds Excellent Article

Looking over the Nov. 18 issue, I found an excellent article, "Prepared Annealing Atmospheres" (Page 160). I would appreciate several copies.

R. K. Matuschkovitz  
Research & Development Dept.  
National Cylinder Gas Co.  
Chicago

### Article Merits Attention

Your Trends-in-Metals article, "Stainless Steels" (Nov. 4, Page 107), merits the highest attention. It gives remarkable facts for the analysis of the market situation. We consider it an important article. (Please turn to Page 12)



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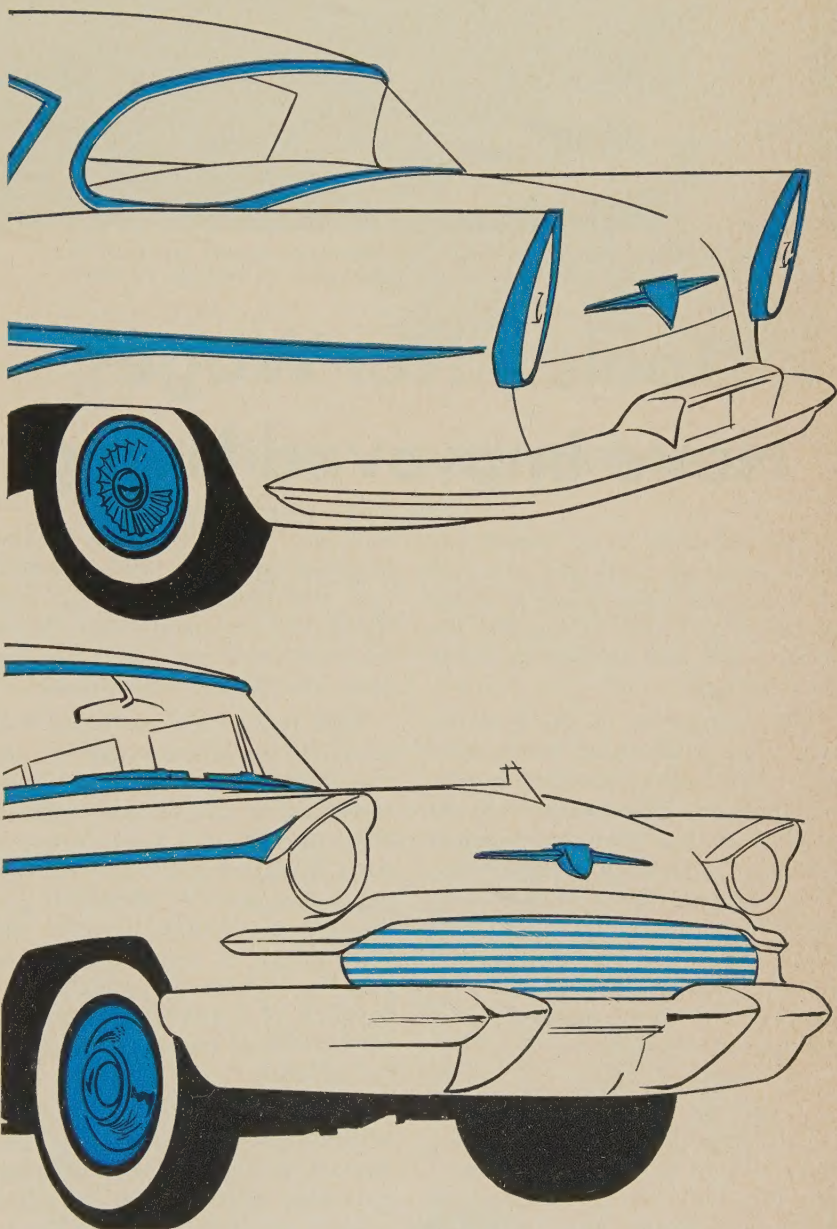
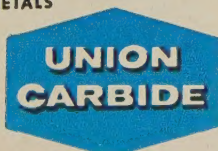
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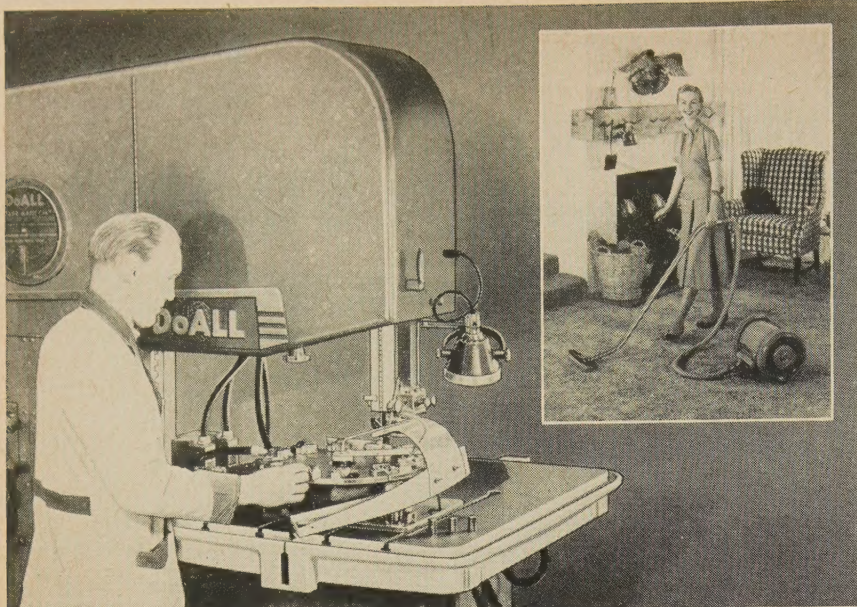
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## LETTERS

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portant basis on which to build our studies in the field of future developments. We would appreciate five copies.

Martin Vetter  
Deutsche Edelstahlwerke AG  
Krefeld, Germany

### Aid to Salesmen

In your Oct. 14 issue, I read with great interest the ninth article in your 1957 Program for Management, "Make or Buy?" (Page 105). I believe a good understanding of this approach to the problem would be of invaluable aid to our salesmen and would like ten copies to distribute to them.

C. V. O'Hara  
Manager  
San Francisco Div.  
Connor Spring Mfg. Co.  
San Francisco

### Pleased with Service

The article, "Needed: Better Training" (Nov. 18, Page 114), proved interesting. Please send an extra copy.

I was pleased with the service I received on my last request and wish to thank you.

C. B. Keiter  
Assistant Chief  
Production Liaison  
Douglas Aircraft Co. Inc.  
Tulsa, Okla.

### Slated for Distribution

We have read your interesting article, "Single Stack Annealing Gets the Nod" (Nov. 11, Page 118), and would like six reprints for distribution within our department.

C. H. Windle  
Superintendent  
Cold Strip Dept.  
Republic Steel Corp.  
Warren, Ohio

### Valuable Asset to Soldier

I will appreciate one copy each of the last four articles, No. 7, 8, 9, and 10, of your 1957 Program for Management. The entire series has been interesting reading and has proved to be a valuable asset in keeping abreast of business trends.

Pfc. Paul E. Mastrorocco  
Quartermaster Research &  
Engineering Command  
U. S. Army  
Natick, Mass.

### Concise Index of Metals

I would like six copies of the Metal Selector (Oct. 28, Page 169). It is a concise, comprehensive index of metals and will be a helpful reference in our engineering department.

S. L. Petchul  
Naval Architect  
Calumet Shipyard & Dry Dock Co.  
Chicago

### Company Suggests Selector

I have been advised by the Champion Rivet Co. representative in Newark, N. J., that your Apr. 1 issue contained a Welding Rod Selector. Could I obtain one? It would be useful to me in my work in the material control department of the United Fruit Co., New York.

Philip H. Brimer  
447 Edgewood Ave.  
Westfield, N. J.

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# CALENDAR

## OF MEETINGS

1958

**Jan. 6-8, Southern Industrial Distributors' Association:** Midyear meeting, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans. Association's address: 1626 Fulton National Bank Bldg., Atlanta 3, Ga. Secretary: E. L. Pugh.

**Jan. 13-17, Society of Automotive Engineers Inc.:** Annual meeting, Sheraton-Cadillac and Statler Hotels, Detroit. Society's address: 485 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Secretary: John A. C. Warner.

**Jan. 13-15, American Management Association:** Special conference on developing new products, Roosevelt Hotel, New York. Association's address: 1515 Broadway, New York 36, N. Y. Secretary: Andrew P. Donovan.

**Jan. 13-15, Compressed Air & Gas Institute:** Annual meeting, Seacrest Manor, Hollywood, Fla. Institute's address: 122 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y. Secretary: Frank P. Anderson.

**Jan. 16-17, National Industrial Conference Board Inc.:** General session for all associates, Hotel Commodore, New York. Board's address: 460 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Secretary: Herbert S. Briggs.

**Jan. 17, Malleable Founders' Society:** Semi-annual meeting, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland. Society's address: 1800 Union Commerce Bldg., Cleveland 14, Ohio. Executive vice president: Lowell D. Ryan.

**Jan. 19-22, Institute of Scrap Iron & Steel Inc.:** Annual meeting, Eden Roc, Fontainebleau, and Deauville Hotels, Miami Beach, Fla. Institute's address: 1729 H St. N. W., Washington 6, D. C. Executive vice president: Edwin C. Barringer.

**Jan. 20-21, Compressed Gas Association Inc.:** Annual meeting, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York. Association's address: 11 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. Secretary: F. R. Fetherston.

**Jan. 20-22, Truck Trailer Manufacturers Association:** Annual meeting, Palm Beach Biltmore Hotel, Palm Beach, Fla. Association's address: 710 Albee Bldg., Washington 5, D. C. Managing director: John B. Hulise.

**Jan. 20-23, American Road Builders Association:** Annual meeting, Sheraton-Park Hotel, Washington. Association's address: 600 World Center Bldg., Washington 6, D. C. Executive vice president: Louis W. Prentiss.

**Jan. 21-23, Steel Shipping Containers Institute Inc.:** Winter meeting, St. Regis Hotel, New York. Institute's address: 600 Fifth Ave., New York 20, N. Y. Secretary: L. B. Miller.

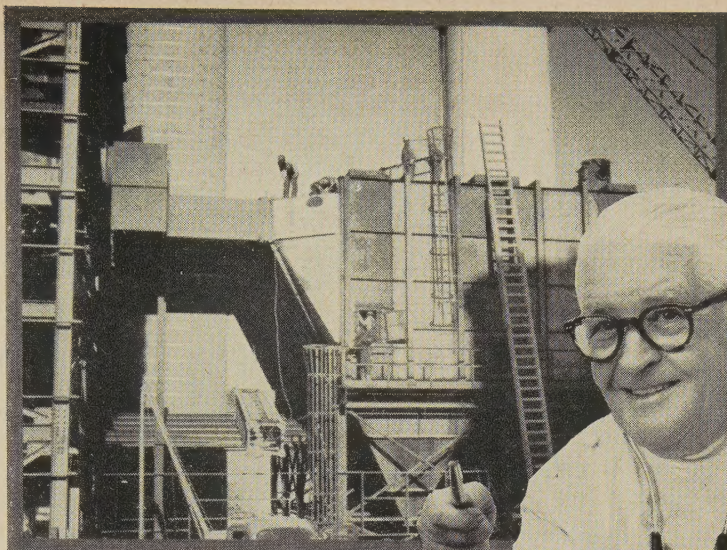
**Jan. 26-Feb. 2, Association of Steel Distributors Inc.:** Convention, Algiers Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla. Association's address: 29 Broadway, New York 6, N. Y. General counsel: Morris Rosoff.

**Jan. 27-28, Industrial Heating Equipment Association:** Annual meeting, Penn Sheraton Hotel, Pittsburgh. Association's address: Associations Bldg., Washington 6, D. C. Executive vice president: Robert E. Fleming.

**Jan. 27-30, Plant Maintenance & Engineering Show and Conference:** International Amphitheatre, Chicago. Information: Clapp & Poliak Inc., 341 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

**Jan. 30-31, Steel Plate Fabricators Association:** Annual meeting, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans. Association's address: 105 W. Madison St., Chicago 2, Ill. Secretary: J. Dwight Evans.

**Feb. 3-7, American Institute of Electrical Engineers:** Winter general meeting, Statler and Sheraton-McAlpin Hotels, New York. Institute's address: 33 W. 39th St., New York 18, N. Y. Secretary: N. S. Hibshman.



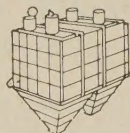
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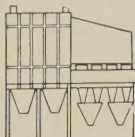
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# Metalworking Outlook

## Missile Memo: Where Do We Stand?

Successful firing of the Atlas ICBM last week brought an Air Force announcement that the missile will be operational by the end of 1959. High AF sources also report a speedup in the Titan ICBM program, which is running about a year behind the Atlas. Of importance to metalmen: All our larger missiles (with the exception of their nose cones) have steel and aluminum structural members and skins. J. R. Dempsey, chief of the Atlas program at Convair Div., General Dynamics Corp., states there's nothing "esoteric or unusual" about the metals used. An official of Martin Co.'s Titan project reports no need for glamour metals because missiles are designed to last such a short time. Mr. Dempsey reveals the cost of the larger missiles (not counting the warhead and research and development): \$2 million for an ICBM; \$1 million to \$1.5 million for an IRBM.

## Missile Memo: Production Problems

A speedup in the Titan program does not mean it will go into production. Defense's missile boss, William Holaday, still contends it must be test fired before production will be considered. Mr. Dempsey emphasizes that one test is not significant, even if it is successful. "Conclusions can be drawn only from a series of tests." Further compounding the missile picture: Peter Schenk, General Electric Co.'s missileman, notes that "every weapon is obsolete when it goes into the hardware stage." How many Atlas, Titan, Thor, or Jupiter birds we'll produce depends upon how fast we bring up new and better missiles. Another point: We still have not produced a nose cone for an ICBM, and only one IRBM has successfully re-entered the atmosphere. Avco Mfg. Co.'s Dr. Arthur Kantrowitz suggests we do at least know what is needed for the nose cone. Presumably, a breakthrough is not too far off.

## Missile Memo: Plans for More Sputniks

"The Russians are rushing to complete the construction of Sputnik V, weighing over a ton and equipped with television receivers and transmitters. The Soviets aim to place it in an orbit 22,000 miles above the earth. It will have the potential to jam our early warning radar system, jam radio and TV communications, and broadcast Russian propaganda on any TV channel in the world," claims Rep. James T. Patterson (R., Conn.). Other sputnik rumors: No. III will release nitrous oxide at intervals to leave a glowing trail across the sky; No. IV may be a short-lived vehicle for upper atmospheric studies on the recovery of sputniks containing test animals.

## Goodrich Sees Economic Bounce

An upturn in business in mid-1958 will be "so substantial that the growth trend in general business will be continued," predicts Joseph A. Hoban,



# Metalworking

## Outlook

vice president of marketing for B. F. Goodrich Co. He bases his optimism on a resurgence in consumer buying next year.

### What 13 Economists Predict

Not quite so optimistic are 13 economists participating in the National Industrial Conference Board's Economic Forum. The consensus: Gross national product in '58 will be off, but only slightly from the current annual rate of \$440 billion; unemployment will rise to an average of 3.6 million in the first half, compared with 3 million in this quarter.

### Record Sales for Westinghouse

Westinghouse Electric Corp. is as optimistic as Goodrich. The electric company billed \$2 billion in 1957 sales, the highest in its history. It expects an even better performance in 1958. The increase next year will result from steady growth in the electrical industry, an expected modest boost in consumer goods sales, and greater emphasis on electrical and electronic components in missiles and other defense equipment.

### Unions Bigger, Richer

U. S. labor union dues will total \$620 million this year, up \$162 million from 1955, says the National Industrial Conference Board. Of 191 unions surveyed, 45 have raised dues since 1955. A membership of 18.4 million is claimed by the 191 labor groups, compared with 17.5 million in 1955.

### Holiday Doings

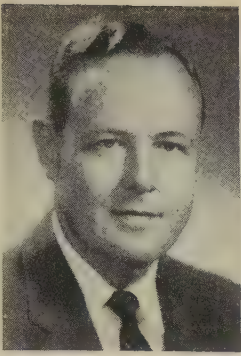
Most metalworking plants will operate on a reduced shift basis on Tuesday, Dec. 24, and on Tuesday, Dec. 31. A survey by Associated Industries of Cleveland of 75 representative Cleveland firms shows that only 4 will be closed all day today (Dec. 23), while 20 will be down entirely on Dec. 24. Because of the prevalence of a seventh paid holiday in the form of two half-holidays on Christmas and New Year's eve, hourly paid workers of most firms operating on reduced shifts Dec. 24 and 31 will get half-days off with pay.

### Straws in the Wind

J. I. Case Co. has received \$100 million in orders for its new line of farm equipment . . . Pennsylvania Railroad is inviting car builders to find more uses for plastics in freight cars . . . New York Shipbuilding Corp., Camden, N. J., will build a \$21-million merchant ship for the U. S., powered by a nuclear plant under construction by Babcock & Wilcox Co., New York . . . General Electric Co. has cut prices about 4.5 per cent on pole-type distribution transformers.



December 23, 1957



## Do Unto Others...

*"And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise."*  
Luke vi, 31.

The Golden Rule is one of the few simple truths we have in this complicated age of sputniks and flying saucers.

But how many people do you know who practice it?

We tend to forget it especially during periods of intense business activity when unbridled ambition and general indifference take precedence over what we'd call plain old fair dealing and doing an honest day's work.

Like most great truths, it is the sum of a large number of little things that apply to everyone, from the big boss down to the newest employee in the plant.

We think of the Golden Rule in business in these terms:

- Creating the right atmosphere in which people can do their best work.
- Giving recognition to the status of the individual.
- Keeping people informed.
- Encouraging the generation and cross-fertilization of ideas.
- Placing responsibility.
- Being tolerant.
- Giving credit, not discredit.
- Practicing integrity.
- Being enthusiastic.

If we observed only those nine points, we could have Christmas 365 days of the year.

*Irwin H. Such*

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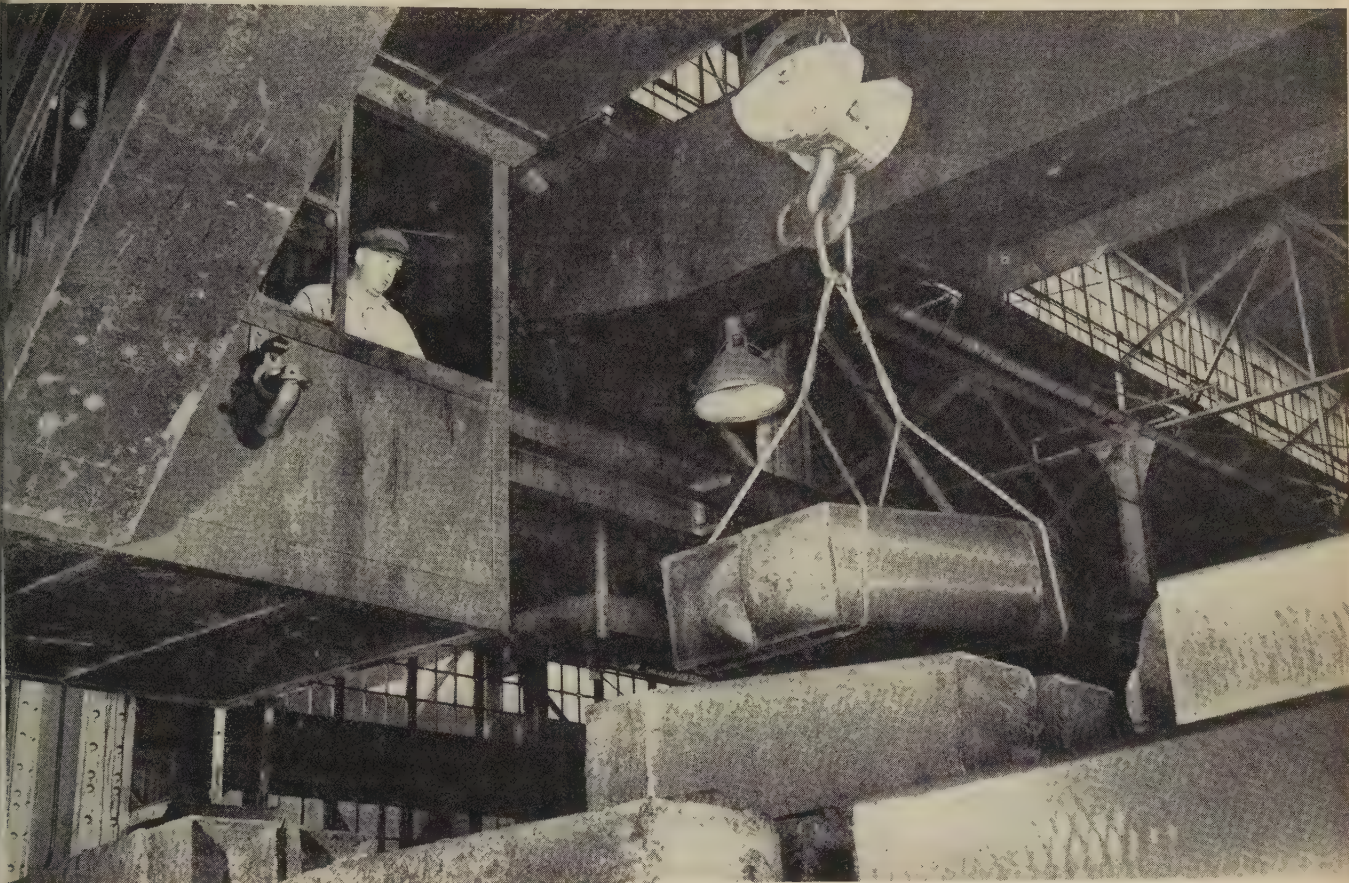


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International Nickel Co.

## Plenty of Nickel Now

Production gains, coupled with lower government takes, have put this metal in oversupply. A big production spurt will come in 1960-61. Demand down some this year

NICKEL supplies outstrip demand for the first time since pre-Korean War days. That's a complete reversal of the year-ago situation when civilian consumers weren't getting enough to fill their needs.

**Why This Change?**—For several years, defense takes and the stockpile have siphoned off large chunks of nickel from the civilian economy. The reduction in stretchout in defense orders this year and the diversion of nickel scheduled for delivery to stockpile have eased the situation. Two other factors af-

fecting the supply: 1. A drop in demand from some industries which have felt the business pinch. 2. More production in 1957.

Free World production this year should reach 244,000 tons (see table, Page 36), though some industry people believe the figure could hit 250,000 tons. That compares with 231,000 tons in 1956 and 215,000 tons in 1955.

At the same time, consumption has dropped. Estimates peg U. S. consumption this year at 125,000 tons (though some see the figure

closer to 127,500 tons). In 1956, domestic consumption was 127,578 tons; in 1955, 110,000 tons.

**Downturn** — Actually, producers are selling most of their market price nickel this year, although with greater difficulty. Says L. R. Larson, vice president and manager of sales, International Nickel Co., New York: "We're moving our market price nickel but not necessarily in the forms we want to sell it." For example, Inco has had to put some of its oxide sinter into other forms before customers would take it.

But it's a different story with premium price nickel. With the market grade (74 cents a pound) in adequate supply, consumers aren't about to pay more for the metal.

This softness in the 1957 nickel picture is easy to pinpoint. Besides the slight cloudiness in the business climate and the stretchout in



# Prospects for Nickel

(in tons)

Free World production rising . . . .

So is U. S. consumption

	CANADA	U. S.	CUBA	OTHER*	TOTALS	
1961	240,000	10,000	50,000	37,500	337,500	175,000
1957	180,000	9,000	22,500	32,500	244,000	125,000
1956	178,750	6,700	16,050	29,500	231,000	127,578
1955	174,950	3,800	15,150	21,100	215,000	110,000

Source: U. S. Bureau of Mines and STEEL estimates.  
\*Includes New Caledonia, Japan, South Africa.

defense spending, two other reasons why demand is off stand out: 1. The industry is beginning to feel the loss of some of its markets occasioned by inadequate supplies in prior years. 2. Many consumers are living off their inventories.

Inventories in 1957 present something of a paradox. Customers with defense orders have steadily reduced stocks. Those firms evidently feel assured of a continuous supply of nickel. But non-defense users have been building up stocks. Probable reason: They have been living on a hand-to-mouth supply and are afraid of getting caught in a pinch again.

Last January, consumer inventories totaled 12,500 tons. But since then they have climbed steadily and now stand at 22,500 tons. Nickel producers believe the build-up has probably reached its peak. They look for sharp inventory cut-backs in 1958 as civilian consumers begin to realize that nickel will be in adequate supply for the foreseeable future.

**Pattern** — The change in the nickel picture is not temporary. It's unlikely supply and demand will be in balance again for some time. Two main reasons are cited by Mr. Larson: 1. The government can release large amounts of nickel from the DPA inventory to the civilian economy in time of shortage. 2. World-wide production will grow faster than even the most optimistic appraisals of consumption.

Output in 1958 and 1959 will be only slightly higher than this year's. But in 1960-61 a whole new chunk of production comes in. By 1961, Canada will have increased her nickel output by 60,000 tons over 1957, Cuba by 27,500 tons, and the rest of the Free World by 5000 tons. Total Free World production in 1961: 337,500 tons, up 93,500 tons from 1957.

Consumption will rise, too, but not as sharply. Estimates peg U. S. consumption in 1961 at 175,000 tons compared with 125,000 tons in 1957.

**Stockpile**—An important factor in the future supply-demand balance will be the fate of the U. S. stockpiling program. Two kinds of stockpiles affect nickel: 1. The strategic stockpile for emergency defense needs. 2. The DPA (Defense Production Act) inventory.

Material in the DPA inventory is acquired under contracts designed to stimulate industry expansion (all premium price nickel goes into the DPA inventory). But in early 1957, the government began diverting all nickel slated for the DPA inventory back to industry.

The 1957 diversions amount to 58,500 tons of nickel, half premium price and half market price. All the market price nickel is being sold. Through the first three quarters, most of the premium was disposed of. But in the fourth quarter, supply of market price nickel has become so abundant that buyers refuse to touch the premium (around 7300 tons).

That the government means to continue this practice was pointed up in October when the General Services Administration announced that all nickel slated for shipment to the government in 1958 would be diverted. But look for little premium price nickel to be sold in 1958.

**Lineup** — Six producers supply (or will supply) most of the nickel the U. S. needs.

International Nickel Co. produces about 60 per cent of the Free World's nickel supply. Production in 1957 was at the rate of 147,500 tons—that will jump to 192,500 tons by 1961 when the company's new mines in northern Manitoba go into production (see STEEL, Oct. 28, p. 124).

Inco's contract with the government calls for delivery of 1000 tons of nickel a month between January, 1954, and December, 1958. Current price under the contract is about \$1 (Canadian) a pound.

National Lead Co. operates the government's Nicaro, Cuba, mines, refinery, and smelter through its Nickel Processing Corp. Production currently runs between 2000 and 2150 tons of nickel oxide and nickel oxide sinter a month. About 750 tons monthly goes to the firm's Crum Lynne, Pa., refinery to be converted into metallic nickel. The rest is sold in sinter and oxide form.

National Lead hopes to acquire Nicaro when its lease with the government expires later this month (see STEEL, Dec. 2, p. 59). Says



Charles Rieth, manager of nickel sales for National Lead: "If National Lead obtains this plant, we may very well diversify our line of nickel products."

M. A. Hanna Co., Cleveland, produces ferronickel (45 per cent nickel, 55 per cent iron) at its Riddle, Oreg., facilities under a contract with the government. The contract calls for the U. S. to take Hanna's production through June, 1962, or until 62,500 tons have been produced.

Falconbridge Nickel Mines Ltd., Toronto, Ont., has four contracts with the U. S. government that call for delivery of 87,500 tons of nickel between 1951 and 1962 at about \$1 a pound. Company officials estimate production of refined nickel in 1957 at 22,750 tons, production in 1960 at 27,500 tons. Developed and indicated ore reserves total 45,259,450 tons, averaging 1.43 per cent nickel and 0.75 per cent copper.

Sheritt Gordon Mines Ltd., Toronto, has a contract with the U. S. to deliver 25,000 tons of market price nickel over a five-year period ending December, 1959.

This year, the company sold about 5000 tons of nickel to U. S. consumers—the figure should climb to 10,000 tons by 1960. Ore reserves total 13,070,000 tons, averaging 1.108 per cent nickel and 0.580 per cent copper.

Freeport Sulphur Co., New York, will make its debut on the U. S. scene in mid-1959 as a major nickel producer. Ore will be mined at Freeport properties in Moa Bay, Cuba, and shipped to the company's refinery in Port Nickel, La. Production will run 25,000 tons yearly.

Freeport has a contract that commits the government to take up to 135,500 tons of nickel between 1959 and 1965 at 74 cents a pound if the company requests it.

**Markets**—Where will all this additional nickel go? Producers see the greatest potential in expansion of existing markets (see table below), even though many of these uses, like stainless, are off this year. Mr. Larson pegs these markets as having the best growth potential: 1. Stainless steels for architectural and consumer uses.

2. Plating for industrial applications. 3. Specialty high nickel alloys for applications where increasing temperature and pressure requirements are necessary.

Nickel will lose ground in areas where substitutes were found during the period of shortage. Two examples: Alloy steels and nickel silver.

Competition is tightening. Producers cite gains of aluminum in architecture and autos, titanium in aircraft, and plastics in the chemical industry, all at the expense of nickel.

**Technology**—Producers are stepping up their research programs to find new uses for nickel. Several recent technological gains will spearhead greater sales. Some examples: 1. Use of special nickel alloys for gas turbines and atomic energy. 2. Use of nickel powder in cadmium batteries. 3. Nickel alloys for high temperature applications. Says Charles Brown, nickel sales manager for Freeport: "One promising area is experiments of the Atomic Energy Commission on a shielding alloy of molybdenum and nickel."

**Outlook** — Producers admit there's a rough road ahead for nickel, but maintain the long term outlook is bright. They point out that usage has been artificially restrained in the past because of large government takes.

The 1958 picture shapes up like this: First-half shipments will be under the same period of 1957 by about 5 per cent. But demand will begin picking up in June or July as defense users start coming into the market again. The year could eventually wind up a little better than 1957. Look for prices to hold at present levels.

## Where Domestic Consumption Goes\*

### Breakdown by uses in 1956

	Tons	Percentage of total
<b>Ferrous:</b>		
Stainless steels .....	32,883	25.78
Other steels .....	17,413	13.65
Cast irons .....	5,819	4.56
<b>Nonferrous</b> .....	35,840	28.09
High temperature and electrical resistance alloys .....	11,373	8.92
<b>Electroplating:</b>		
Anodes .....	15,952	12.50
Solutions .....	1,074	0.84
Catalysts .....	2,001	1.57
Ceramics .....	425	0.33
Magnets .....	933	0.73
Other .....	3,865	3.03
<b>Total for 1956</b> .....	127,578	100%

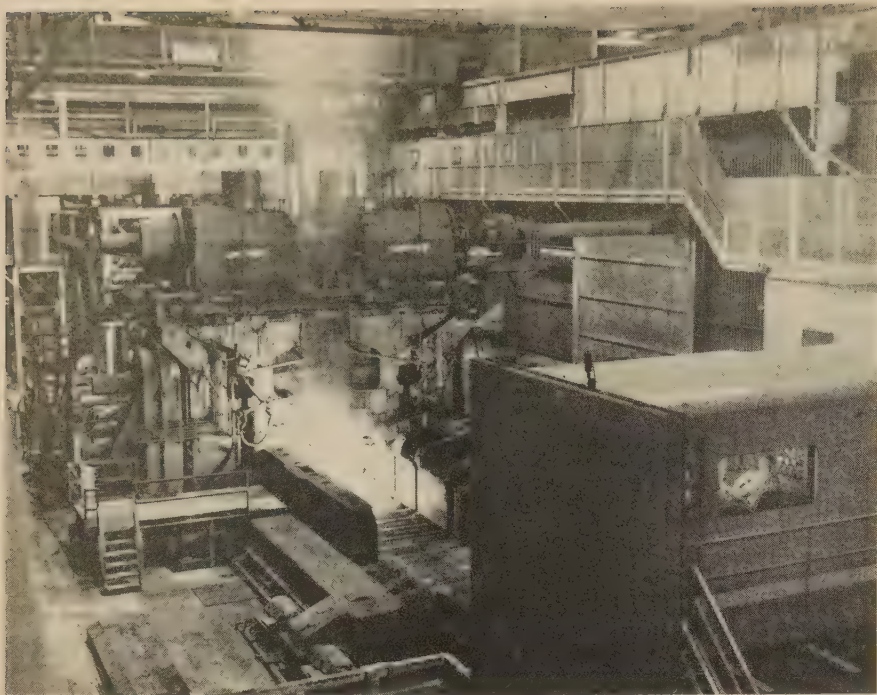
## IBM To Open Texas Plant

International Business Machines Corp.'s Supplies Div. will begin operations today at its new punch card plant in Sherman, Tex. A nucleus force of 23 employees, now in training at the Greencastle, Ind., card plant, will handle initial operations.

The 56,000 sq-ft facility includes administrative offices (with an IBM machine accounting installation), an employees' cafeteria, parking, and warehouse space.

\*Exclusive of purchased and home scrap.  
Source: U. S. Bureau of Mines.





Largest project in Republic's expansion is this 45-in. slabbing mill in Cleveland

## Getting Set for the Future

Republic Steel Corp. prepares its Cleveland plant for expanded markets with new coke ovens and heavy slabbing mill, revamped hot-strip mill, six high-production open hearths

**EXPANSION** of Republic Steel Corp.'s Cleveland plant from 2.57 million to 3.36 million annual ingot tons is virtually completed.

At the time of the announcement, Republic's mills were operating at only 70 per cent of capacity. Although its officials are concerned, the downturn is not without its bright side, says T. F. Patton, Republic's president. "Management can pay more attention to such things as quality, service, and education of salesmen and distributors. The public is demanding something better and different. We're intensifying research because of the downturn and are completing a research center in Cleveland."

**Just Around the Corner**—"The concept of Republic's management about great prosperity ahead has not changed," he says. "Only, the upturn won't come overnight as it did after the downturns of 1949 and 1954. Inventories are larger

than expected; buying by consumers is not up to expectations; and there is plenty of capacity now. A slow upturn is expected by the latter part of 1958."

The added capacity at the Cleveland plant alone (it's the largest part of the 19 per cent expansion of all Republic facilities) is the equivalent of 5 million refrigerators a year, Mr. Patton explains.

**Now Making Steel**—Among the improved facilities are these:

Two, new 375-ton open hearth furnaces, and the capacities of four have been increased from 275 tons to 375 tons per heat.

A 45-in. universal slabbing mill which can roll 25-ton ingots (STEEL, Nov. 25, p. 100), and 16 new soaking pits.

Revamping of the 98 in., hot strip mill to permit straightaway rolling of slabs up to 75 in. wide.

Three new smokeless coke oven batteries. One is completed, and two are under construction.

## J&L Adds New Mill

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., in Cleveland Works modernization, installs cold-reducing mill

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. is operating a new four-stand cold-reducing mill for sheet steel at its Cleveland Works. The mill, described as "one of the industry's fastest," cost \$10 million and will produce 70,000 tons of sheets per month. That's about double the capacity of the unit it replaces.

The 4 stand, 4 high, 77 in. mill has a maximum speed of 3800 fpm and can produce sheet 72 in. wide. A new blooming mill and reversing rougher for the hot strip mill will supply coils in weights up to 18,000 lb for the new facility. The ten electric motors that drive the mill provide 23,000 hp. It was designed and built by E. W. Bliss Co., Salem, Ohio, and erected by Ragnar-Benson Inc., Pittsburgh.

**Features**—Each motor has a separate generator to reduce and simplify the drive mechanisms by eliminating pinion stands and cutting down the size of the reduction gearing.

An x-ray gage on the delivery end of the fourth stand controls motor speed and the thickness of sheets. Heat from the mill rolls is dissipated by recirculating 2500 gallons of oil and water emulsion per minute. A total of 5000 gallons of water per minute cools this emulsion, the mill lubricants, and the ventilating air for the electrical equipment. Water is cooled in a forced draft tower.

**Suppliers**—All piping and facilities for handling lubricants, coolants, oil, air, and steam were installed by Blaw-Knox Co., Pittsburgh. General Electric Co. supplied electric drive equipment, which was installed by Dingle-Clark Co., Cleveland.

## Wheeling Steel Expands

Wheeling Steel Corp.'s \$4.5 million improvement and modernization program at the Benwood, W. Va., works is underway.

Major pipe finishing, pipe warehousing, and shipping operations



are being consolidated. The pipe warehouse building is being expanded and converted to a finishing department. A warehouse is under construction. Major railroad track changes, to service the new areas, are near completion.

## Forging Outlook

Backlogs have been slipping for 18 months, so tonnage volume may drop 25 to 30 per cent in '58

THE DOLLAR volume of forging shipments has climbed steadily the last three years. But shipments have slipped tonnagewise, Charles H. Smith Jr., president, Steel Improvement & Forge Co., Cleveland, told the Drop Forging Association at New York.

**Up in Ten Years**—Over the last ten years, dollar volume of shipments has increased 220 per cent, compared with an all-industry average of 150 per cent, Mr. Smith said. He cited three reasons: 1. The cost of forgings has gone up. 2. Drop forgers are working with more expensive metals (like titanium, aluminum, and high-priced alloys). 3. Customers are demanding more intricate (hence costlier) forgings.

On the darker side, new orders have steadily declined, especially

during the last 18 months. Backlogs (in dollars) have been going down, too, even though the situation is still a little better than it was in 1955.

**Up, Down in '57**—Industry people told STEEL that the reduction of inventories continued this year and that most customers have just about used up their stocks. The industry expects a rise in dollar volume, a slight dip in profits, and a slump in tonnage shipments this year.

Estimates on 1957 shipments range from 15 to 40 per cent under 1956's when the job shops delivered 700 million tons (add 300 millions tons for captive shops). Firms supplying the aircraft industry seem to be hardest hit. Employment throughout the industry is off 25 to 35 per cent.

**Off in '58**—The outlook for 1958 is not too bright—some forgers predict a dropoff from 1957 of 25 to 30 per cent. The picture will be pretty dependent on the automobile and farm machinery business. The missile field holds promise. Several of the new missiles use forgings in fuel tank heads, rocket nozzles, and accumulator tank caps.

**Remedies**—How can the slump in sales be overcome? Mr. Smith outlined a four-step program for future improvement: 1. Do a more constructive job of merchandising and advertising. 2. Embark on a

program of product improvement. 3. Determine plant modernization requirements and the type equipment that will be needed for tomorrow's economy. 4. Ask metal producers to develop special steels and alloys to meet demands of tomorrow's customers.

## Executive Pay Rises

Average manager's salary went up 5.1% in '56, vs. 5.9% in '55, says AMA

THE AVERAGE pay of 35,000 high ranking executives in 3800 U. S. and Canadian companies went up 5.1 per cent from 1956 to early 1957. By comparison, the average was 5.9 per cent in 1955 to early 1956, says the American Management Association in its survey of top management compensation.

Dean H. Rosensteel, director of AMA's Executive Compensation Service, points out that the overall average does not reflect variations in individual firms, their size, complexity of operations, sales, and profits.

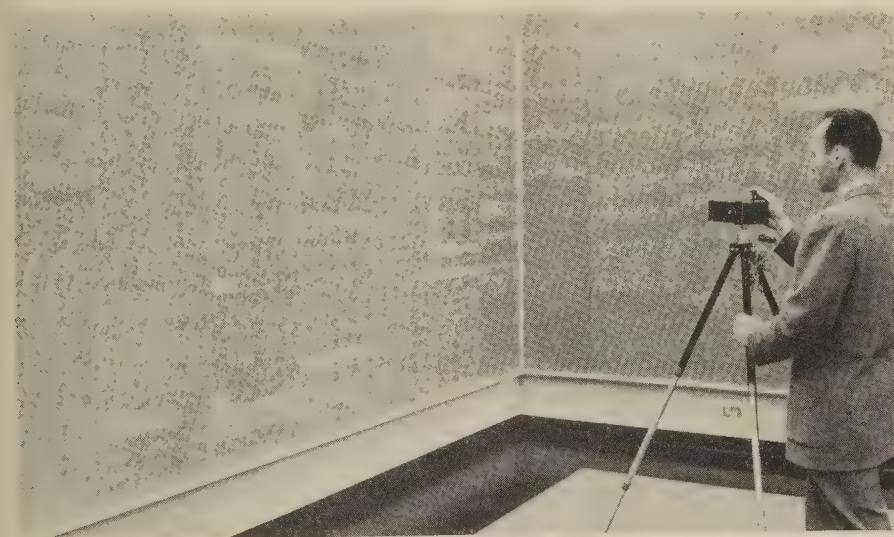
**Small Firms' Pay**—Of 716 small companies analyzed (annual sales up to \$10 million), executive salaries varied in direct relation to size, product, and market. The variety in salaries in larger companies was more related to industry classifications.

**Pay and Profits**—Economic trends in industries resulted in varied compensation practices. Durable goods manufacturing companies had a sales increase of 5.4 per cent in 1956 vs. 1955. Net profits decreased 6 per cent, and executive salaries gained 3.1 per cent.

In the nondurable goods industry, sales were up 7 per cent in 1956 over 1955, and net profits rose 10.1 per cent. Executive compensation climbed 6.2 per cent.

More than 70 per cent of the reporting companies contributed to some form of retirement for 74 per cent of the executives.

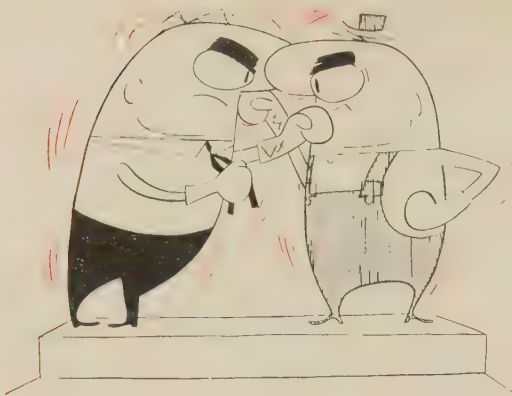
Of the entire group surveyed, 49 per cent received pay increases, 41 per cent received the same pay as they did in 1955, and 10 per cent received pay cuts in 1956.



## Getting the Inventory Picture

Rollad Steel Corp. gives its sales representatives a clear picture of the complete steel inventory carried by its main Skokie, Ill., warehouse. The job is done with photographs of this chalkboard on which a running inventory is kept. Sets of pictures covering the 122-ft board are taken every Friday. They're in the hands of salesmen in the field by Monday morning





## Get Grievances Settled Quicker

1. Spell out the foreman's authority and specific areas in which he can make grievance decisions.
2. Conduct foreman training sessions on handling grievances. Try role playing to give him practice.
3. Keep a record of all grievances. Analyze them, trying to spot possible contract changes which will eliminate similar problems in future.
4. Keep foremen and shop stewards informed of all grievances and settlements made by company as they occur.
5. Keep your labor contract language clear.
6. Don't be afraid to go to arbitration when necessary.
7. Remember—you can't win them all!

## How To Cut Grievances

SCORE YOUR grievance handling record "average to good" if:

1. Your ratio of written grievances is less than 1 per 20 employees per year.

2. Less than half of your grievances go beyond the superintendent-chief steward stage for settlement.

3. Less than 5 per cent of the grievances end up in arbitration.

That's the consensus of a dozen industrial relations executives con-

tacted by STEEL. Each is emphatic: The real test is the first—how many grievances are settled before reaching the writing stage.

**Grievance Causes**—The key to cutting grievance costs is your foreman. That's because he's almost always involved in several common grievance-generating areas.

• Seniority in both layoff and recall situations: Problems arise over employee ability. A foreman

may feel the individual with the most seniority is not qualified to handle the job that's open.

• Discipline: Even with well-defined rules and penalties, problems will arise: Is the individual wrongly accused? Are there "special circumstances" to consider?

• Distribution of overtime and job assignments when incentive rates are involved: The ability factor enters these decisions, too.

• Job classifications in problems relating to wage differentials for various types of work being done on similar equipment.

**The Five Steps**—Step No. 1 in most grievance procedures requires the employee to take his problem to his foreman or immediate superior. The shop steward may also be called in. Particularly in the first three areas listed above does the foreman's skill in human relations and knowledge of your contract determine whether grievances are settled here or progress up the ladder toward arbitration.

The higher the grievance goes, the costlier it becomes. Step No. 2 usually involves reducing the grievance to writing and setting up meetings among the individual involved, the foreman, superintendent, and two or three union representatives. Step No. 3 takes the grievance to the industrial relations department—and adds a couple more management and union representatives. Step No. 4 brings the issue to top management and the union's international representatives. The last step, arbitration, will tie up five management men for at least a half day or more.

**Crucial Step No. 1**—Best bet to get more settlements at Step No. 1 is foreman training (STEEL, Oct. 14, p. 76)—most companies with good grievance handling records devote up to 25 per cent of their foreman programs to the topic. Typical programs include:

1. Periodic discussion (led by the industrial relations department) of all grievances which reach the written stage.

2. Role playing. Hypothetical cases are developed, and foremen act out the situation as if they were on the firing line.

3. Before contract negotiations, foremen are asked to submit sug-



gestions for improving the contract to reduce grievance frequency.

4. Following contract settlement, foreman sessions are held to inform them of the contract's contents.

**Records Help**—Keep a record of all written grievances and their settlement. Make sure that reports of these go to foremen and shop stewards. One midwest supplier of auto parts with four plants—all under the same union—found its officials were being whipsawed by the union because grievance records weren't kept.

Officials in one plant would "compromise in one situation because of special circumstances." When the same issue, but without the "special circumstances," occurred in another plant, the union demanded the same treatment.

It took the firm two years to gain consistency in its settlements. Fewer special circumstances were allowed. Results: The number of grievances was cut in half. The number going beyond the superintendent level (step No. 3) dropped from 90 to 50 per cent of the total.

**Steward's Role**—Most industrial relations directors agree: Permit shop stewards to exercise their responsibilities under the labor contract. A steward well versed in contractual intent and informed of grievance settlements is an asset in keeping written grievances to a minimum.

**Safety Valve**—Don't look upon the grievance machinery as a "necessary evil." Employees should have some method for appealing a supervisor's decision.

One unorganized plant doesn't believe in ever reducing a grievance to writing. If the foreman and employee can't reach agreement, then the superintendent is brought in, and so on up the line to the president if necessary. The objective is quick settlement. Says the industrial relations manager: "By zeroing in fast, keeping the issue on a verbal basis, you will provide a better atmosphere for compromise and settlement."

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# Capital Spending Hits Peak, Starts To Ebb

(Millions of dollars)

	1955	1956	1957		1958
			12 mo.†	Oct.-Dec.†	Jan.-Mar.†
<b>All Durable Goods Industries . . . .</b>	5436	7623	8047	2173	1665
Primary iron & steel . . . . .	863	1268	1705	489	357
Primary nonferrous . . . . .	214	412	847	260	182
Electrical machinery . . . . .	436	603	606	183	124
Machinery (except electrical) . . .	809	1078	1242	347	308
Motor vehicles & equipment . . .	1128	1689	1121	258	193
Other transportation equipment . .	274	440	566	160	119
<b>All Nondurable Goods Industries .</b>	6003	7331	8002	2178	1760
<b>Mining . . . . .</b>	957	1241	1254	313	279
<b>Railroads . . . . .</b>	923	1231	1391	329	306
<b>Public utilities . . . . .</b>	4309	4895	6278	1843	1413
<b>Communications . . . . .</b>	1983	2684	10,262	2452	2306
<b>Commercial &amp; other . . . . .</b>	7488	8364			
<b>Totals* . . . . .</b>	28,701	35,081	37,034	9805	8165

Sources: Department of Commerce, Securities & Exchange Commission.  
\*Includes groups not shown. †Estimated.

## Spending Starts Downturn

AFTER setting a record in 1957, new plant and equipment expenditures will start sliding off. Spending in the first quarter of '58 will drop to an annual rate of \$35.5 billion (seasonally adjusted)—5 per cent below the quarterly average of '57. That's the indication of a survey by the Commerce Department and Securities & Exchange Commission.

The survey shows that capital spending will exceed \$37 billion in 1957—6 per cent above the record established in 1956. All divisions, except commercial and railroads, will hit new highs.

**A Record**—Total outlays hit a record annual rate (seasonally adjusted) of \$37.75 billion in '57's third quarter and will approximate \$37.5 billion in the fourth quarter. The annual rate in the first half was \$37 billion.

Manufacturers will spend over \$16 billion in 1957 to set a record for the tenth consecutive year. But they're not expected to repeat that

performance in 1958. They started dropping off in '57's last quarter and report a much greater drop (see table) in the first quarter of '58.

## Pressure Pipe Needs High

About 2.5 billion ft of pressure pipe will be required by water supply and sewage disposal works for new construction, maintenance, and repair during the 1957-75 period. An additional 661 million ft will be needed for gas distribution.

The Department of Commerce made the estimates in a study of pressure pipe requirements. You can get a copy from any Commerce Department field office for 10 cents.

## Furniture Maker Adds

Dixie Dinettes Inc., Richmond, Va., will add about 18,000 sq ft to its 40,000 sq-ft plant. Cost: \$50,000.



## Who Can Direct Space Program?

IN 6 TO 12 months, we can convert our Atlas ICBM to launch a satellite weighing at least 500 lb, perhaps "several thousand," reports J. R. Dempsey, director of the Atlas program for Convair Div., General Dynamics Corp.

We are spending closer to \$10 million than \$100 million a year on our antimissile programs (the Army's Nike-Zeus and the Air Force's Wizard), guesses Peter Schenk, marketing manager, technical military planning operation, General Electric Co.

There is the "determination" within government circles to begin a big space program, but the "organization" to do the job does not exist, says Dr. Arthur Kantrowitz, nose cone scientist and vice president, Avco Mfg. Co.

Satellites, antimissile missiles, a space program: Why are we still in the talking stage more than ten weeks after the sputniks? The answer is dangerously simple: We have no one in Washington willing to take responsibility for moves that could decide the fate of the nation.



## McElroy Is Boxed in

The five walls of the Pentagon have effectively blocked any solid action by our new defense secretary, Neil McElroy. Several weeks ago (STEEL, Nov. 25, p. 59), he revealed a plan to establish a single manager for satellites not included in the International Geophysical Year, antimissile missiles, missiles not yet developed, and new "upstream" space weapons. Rather than the "single manager" system outlined, it now appears that this project will be a "co-ordinating" agency placed on top of the present Defense Department missile office and the various projects of the three services. In other words, none of the present offices will lose any of their present conflicting powers to the new agency.

Looking at Washington today, one wonders how we ever agreed upon a Manhattan Project in World War II. The situation is so snarled that the Air Force last week went ahead with its own new office for space projects (a "Directorate of Aeronautics") until Air Force Secretary James Douglas was forced by Congressional pressure to "temporarily" suspend the order.

## Maybe Nixon Could Take Hold

President Eisenhower is doing little to help the situation. His appointment of Dr. James Killian as science czar has been meaningless: The man has

no authority. William Holaday's new title, director of guided missiles, gives him no budget authority (which is the only kind of authority that counts in government circles).

Look for a Congressional move in January to give Vice President Nixon the job of directing our space program. He has been on top of the situation much more than any other administration figure, many congressmen think, and he has the rank necessary to control the Pentagon (if he uses it). The vice president has clearly stated on several occasions that "we can spend all the money we need to for adequate defense." That has gone over well with Democratic and Republican leaders alike, in the face of continued talk from the President and the Bureau of the Budget for economy at the Pentagon.

No one denies the need for economy there; but we must create a real space program soon or economy will become meaningless. Dr. Kantrowitz thinks the Russians will put a man in space in less than three years; he thinks we can do it in less than five—if we spend the necessary money.

## How Much Will Space Cost Us?

Dr. Werner von Braun, technical director of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, thinks a "national space agency" with an annual budget of \$1.5 billion can get us into space in five years. George Sutton, chief of preliminary design, Rocketdyne Div., North American Aviation Inc., and president of the American Rocket Society, believes we could have a program for \$100 million that will be good enough to do the job in the first year—if the agency were allowed use of present service facilities.

Either way it's done, the dominant feeling on Capitol Hill is that it has to be done, whatever the price.

One conversation in Capitol corridors these days: "The Russians did us a tremendous favor when they launched the two sputniks because they alerted us to their rapid progress in space. Are we now going to wait for another alert (the 15-minute variety given by a nuclear warhead) before we decide that something ought to be done?"

The reply is: "But, Mr. Congressman, no one in the White House has told the Pentagon to decide that an immediate decision is needed."

## Aircraft Revival Next Year

With missile production far slower than hoped, the Strategic Air Command is describing itself as a joint missile-bomber force. The new chemical bomber (WS-110A) will be phased into SAC by 1960, as IRBMs and ICBMs come in, too. The AF is also pumping for more B-52s.

It looks like the downturn in aircraft production has about hit its low point, Washington sources agree. They are looking for a big hike in military sales in the last quarter of 1958.



## FOREIGN OUTLOOK for 1958... No. 3



This steel saucer is the antenna for the world's largest radio telescope at Jodrell Bank, England

## UK Is Optimistic

Fuel shortage, strikes, and inflation find the metalworking industry still going strong. Steel and pig iron production rise; auto exports boom; shipbuilders happy

ENGLAND goes into 1958 with many hopeful signs.

The steel industry still shows strength despite four months of gasoline and fuel oil rationing, widespread strikes, and rising inflation which caused the Bank of England to up its interest rate to 7 per cent as a countermeasure.

**Uncertainties** — Unions continue to threaten strikes for higher wages despite warnings from the government that further inflation may throw the country into a financial crisis. Credit limitations are raising questions about the availability of investment capital for the planned expansion of steel capacity to 32.4 million tons by

1962. Current annual capacity is 26.6 million tons.

Unemployment is spreading in South Wales due to the closing of obsolete tin plate mills and to decreased demand brought about by rising prices.

**Certainties**—The steel industry will produce close to 24 million tons in 1957, against 23 million tons in 1956. Pig iron production will hit 16.4 million tons this year, a gain of 1.4 million tons over 1956 output. (This increase is particularly impressive since it was accomplished with fewer furnaces. Only 98 were operating this year, compared with 100 in 1956.)

Domestic prices went up 6 per

cent in December, 1956, and another 7.5 per cent in July, this year. However, the home market took all of most products offered.

Despite rising prices, English steel exports for '57 rose 21.6 per cent over 1956's. Imports of steel will be about 1 million tons this year, down a half million tons from 1956. Increased facilities are expected to reduce this to less than 500,000 tons in 1958.

**Still Behind**—However, demand in most products is still running ahead of supply. The government has decided to continue suspension of import duties on a wide range of iron and steel products until Sept. 18, 1958.

Heavy plates are in short supply, though producers have increased capacity. One shipbuilder expects to buy 5600 tons of heavy plates from the U. S. during the next two years.

**Shipyards Busy** — Shipbuilders have orders covering several years. At the end of the third quarter, orders were on hand for 848 ves-



sels, comprising 7.6 million tons. (About 1.5 million tons are produced a year.)

Total value of all vessels on order is estimated at \$2.7 billion. About 20 per cent of the ships are for export; 54 per cent will be tankers. Production was slowed by strikes early in 1957.

**Autos Boom**—The English automobile industry has bounced back from its 1956 recession. Autos shipped out of the country in 1957 accounted for 16 per cent of the country's total export earnings. This is a gain of 41 per cent over 1956 exports. An estimated \$7 million worth have come to the U. S., two and a half times the value of 1956 shipments to the U. S.

So many orders are booked for the future that an extra ship will enter the North American trade in 1958 to insure prompt car deliveries.

The increased auto production was partially accomplished by automated equipment, since the 50,000 people who left the industry in 1956 have not all returned.

**Construction** — Some construction cutbacks are expected due to the tight money situation, but the exceptional activity in 1957, seasonally reduced now, will continue into 1958. Pressure for delivery of steel to present construction sites remains high.

Twelve years after the end of World War II, much of the destruction remains in many cities and towns. In London, Birmingham, and other places, whole blocks of office buildings are under construction on the bombed-out sites.

While new contracts for these jobs have slowed, steel needed to complete the projects will keep production high for several months.

The British Transport Commission, which controls the railroads, is committed to a multimillion-dollar program of expansion and conversion from steam to diesel and electric locomotives.

Even the few independent manufacturers of railroad rolling stock in England have long bookings for exports to the Commonwealth countries.

**Power Expands**—Need for electric power has increased to such an extent that 51 new power sta-

tions have been built since the industry was nationalized in 1948. Producers of electrical equipment have also done a thriving export business.

General Electric Co. of England plans to double its annual production of \$280 million at one of its Midland factories. This plant produces diesel-electric and electric railroad equipment and will provide much of that used for the electrified railroad between London and Manchester.

**U. S. Investments** — Another hopeful sign is the rising interest of U. S. industry. According to a British Board of Trade source "there are hundreds of arrangements" between U. S. firms and English companies. Five major types of working agreements:

1. A U. S. subsidiary company in the U. K. with capital control remaining in American hands.

2. Joint ownership of a firm in the U. K. by British and U. S. interests.

3. A licensing agreement, under which a British firm manufactures

a U. S. product and pays royalties to the American company.

4. A U. S. firm exports its finished product through a British agency.

5. A U. S. and British firm exchange technical information on processes and manufacturing.

**Future**—Two big elements in the future development of British trade with the U. S. are: 1. Inflation. 2. The European Common Market (STEEL, Apr. 8, p. 69). Continued inflation will likely be met by stricter credit measures and reduced imports. If the British Free Trade Area joins the European market, it will mean eventually a joint tariff against U. S. goods. U. S. firms operating inside the U. K. or Euromarket will be in better position on import duties.

The entire English metalworking industry (with the exception of tin plate) is operating at a high rate. Backlog of orders for autos and ships, the need for new construction, the nuclear power program, and the railroad expansion are likely to keep this rate high at least well into 1958.



### Belgium Erects Metallic "Atomium" for World Fair

This gigantic structure, 334 ft high, weighing 2240 tons, will greet visitors to the 1958 Brussels International Trade Exposition. It's designed as a symbol for the atomic age





Here's the first of a new fleet to haul U. S. coal to Italian Finsider steel mills

# Italian Steel Faces Tests

Young industry will expand production as loss of protective tariff looms and world demand softens. More autos and other items are exported in 1957

THE STEEL industry of Italy, grown strong on the world-wide demand for steel the last few years, faces two major tests for 1958.

First: Loss of a 5 per cent protective tariff against steel from other members of the European Coal & Steel Community in February (unless current Italian efforts to get it extended for another year are successful).

Second: A possible softening of world demand for steel, bringing more vigorous competition (at home and abroad) from the powerful steel industries of Germany, England, Belgium, and Luxembourg.

Hopeful—Italy, traditionally an importer of steel, last year became an exporter. In 1956, steel exports reached 757,291 tons, against 656,223 tons imported, for an export balance of 101,067 tons. Total production in 1956 was 6.5 million tons of steel ingots. Production in 1957 is expected to be a little more than 7.5 million tons. Target for 1960 is an annual production of 11.2 million tons.

Imports of steel products in 1957 increased 29 per cent over 1956, but exports rose 27 per cent, for an export balance of 115,232 tons. Pig iron production is expected to

reach 2.4 million tons this year, but plans to eliminate this bottleneck in steel production call for expansion of facilities to produce nearly twice this amount by 1960.

More Plant—The Fiat-Mirafiori company, automaker, and the Falck company, plan two new blast furnaces and a steelworks at Vado, near Genoa. The project will cost an estimated \$126 million, and the furnaces will have a combined capacity of 1 million tons. Capacity of the steelworks will be 784,000 tons.

The government-controlled Finsider group, large producers of steel, have plans to expand existing plants. These plans may have to be abandoned, however, in face of political pressure for a new integrated steel plant to be erected in southern Italy. Cost of the projected plant is estimated at \$280 million, while Finsider's expansion plans would cost one fifth as much.

Automobile production will be near 350,000 units this year, a gain of 14.2 per cent over 1956. Exports, which reached 87,000 units last year, will approximate 120,000 vehicles for 1957.

Outlook—Italy's gross national product increase for 1957 will be close to 5 per cent. Wholesale prices dropped 1.2 per cent while

the cost of living index rose 1.6 per cent (U. S. consumer price index rose 2.7 per cent).

Despite a slight decline in foreign investments, Italian monetary reserves have continued to climb. Observers believe this trend will go on unless the government upsets it with some ambitious program (like the proposed integrated steel plant).

The country's industrial production index (1953 equals 100) has averaged 137 in 1957, a gain of 8.6 per cent over 1956. Unemployment is down slightly.

All Industry—All Italian manufacturing has contributed to the production improvement. Metalworking showed a gain of 13.1 per cent over last year. The leather and shoe industry produced 17.9 per cent more; paper production rose 14.2 per cent; and textiles went up 13.8 per cent.

Impact of the forthcoming six-nation Common Market (made up of the members of ECSC) will likely cause some readjustments initially. However, the long pull indicates that the Italian economy, though struggling in some sectors, is firmly on its feet.

## Canada Protests

The suggestion that Canada import sheets and tin plate to relieve the situation in South Wales (see story on Page 45) brought sharp protests from Hamilton, Ont., steel manufacturers.

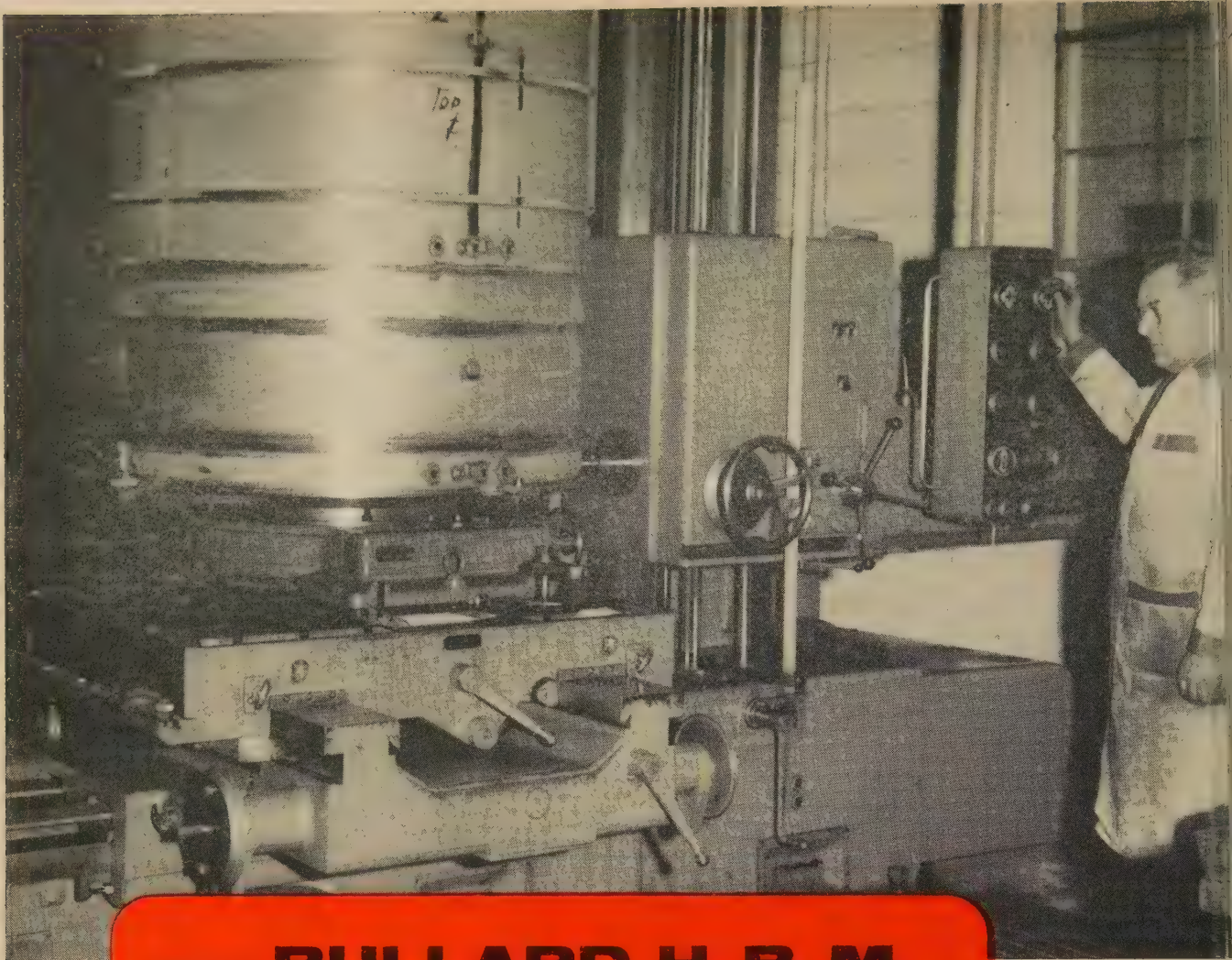
V. W. Scully, president, Steel Co. of Canada, expressed surprise that the Canadian trade delegation visiting Wales would make such a proposal.

"In tin plate, and sheets generally, the Canadian mills have equipped themselves to meet the Canadian market situation," said Mr. Scully.

"At the present time, we have more than adequate capacity, and we cannot see how our economic position is going to be helped if it is going to become more difficult to employ that capacity," he added.

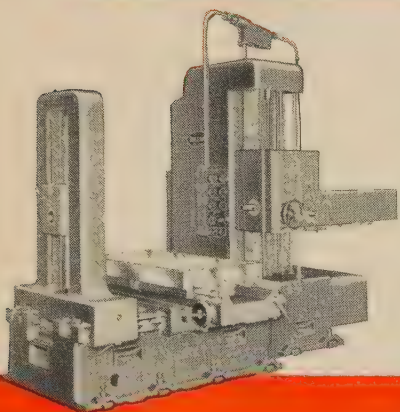
Gordon Churchill, Canadian minister of trade and commerce, and head of the 50-man trade delegation, said in Cardiff, Wales, that Canada is a definite market for British steel, including tin plate.





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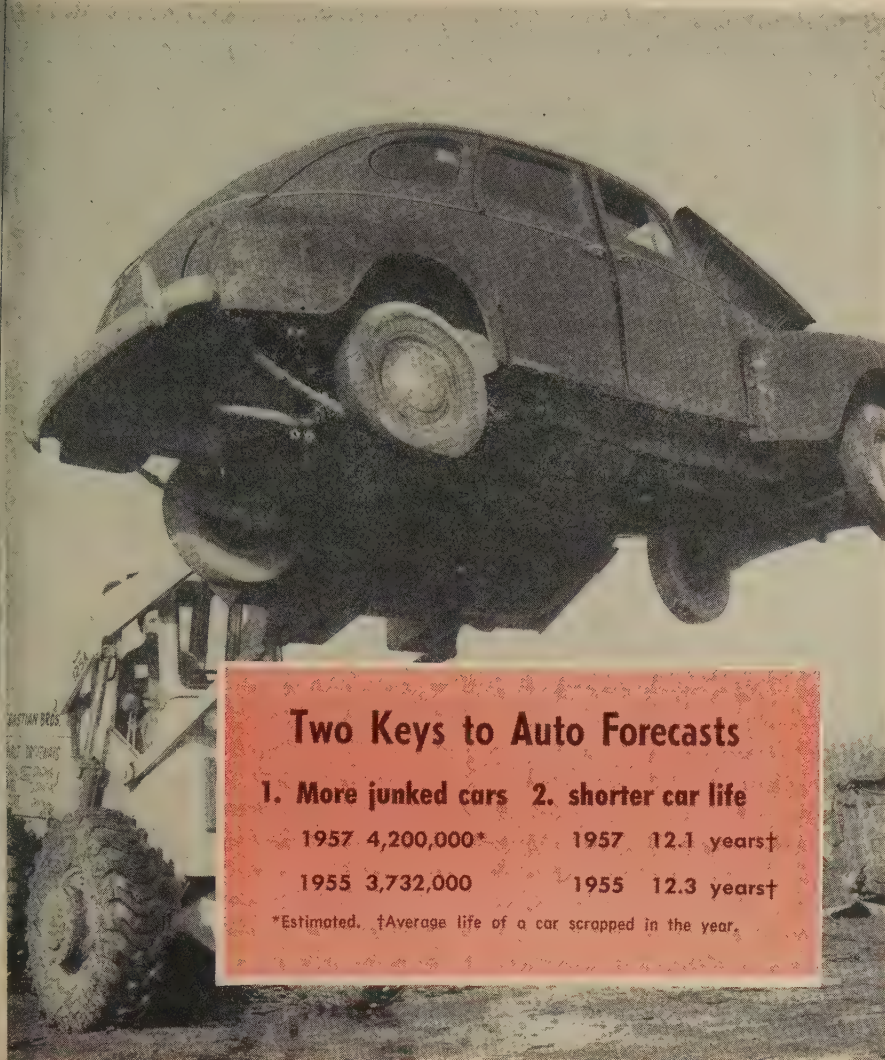
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### Two Keys to Auto Forecasts

#### 1. More junked cars 2. shorter car life

1957 4,200,000\*

1957 12.1 years†

1955 3,732,000

1955 12.3 years†

\*Estimated. †Average life of a car scrapped in the year.

How auto scrap rates and age are used in . . .

## Figuring Market Potential

PRESIDENTS of auto companies are perusing sales and production forecasts at more frequent intervals. Reason: Predictions haven't been panning out.

In December, 1956, the industry generally agreed with Harlow Curtice, General Motors president, that the 1957 market would absorb about 6.5 million passenger cars and 900,000 trucks. By May, Mr.

Curtice had to revise his car estimate to 5.8 million sales.

Earliest predictions this fall were for 6.5 million car sales in 1958, but the industry has already dropped back to a 6-million forecast. It hopes it won't have to prune this estimate.

**How Come?**—When forecasting, automakers seldom are victims of their own sales enthusiasm. But

like other economists, those in Detroit can make mistakes in estimating the changes ahead for the general economy. In addition, the auto industry has its own difficult-to-use forecasting tools.

Let's take a look at some of the problems of estimating car scrapage (which is only a part of market forecasting).

**Basic**—Chrysler Corp. explains that the growth rate in number of cars in service is compared with increases in the number of cars needed by a growing population, more family formations, more persons entering the age group of first-car buyers, and other market factors.

Growth rate (difference between number of cars scrapped and number of new registrations) is one of the measurements auto companies use to determine market potential.

**Scrap Rate**—Scrapage increases when cars are junked at an earlier age. The Automobile Manufacturers Association points out the average age of vehicles being scrapped is getting shorter as the percentage of World War II cars diminishes.

But nobody will know exactly how much car life shortened this year until late in 1958. Forecasters have to base car age estimates on old figures.

**Life Shrinks**—Latest available figures (1955) show the average vehicle (including cars and trucks) was junked when it was 12.3 years old. Some persons believe average life now is around 12.1 years.

Some analysts say one reason for shorter life is that the number of cars with complicated mechanisms like automatic transmissions has skyrocketed in recent years.

**Cheaper To Scrap**—If a six-year-old car develops automatic transmission trouble today, it may be cheaper to scrap it than make the repair.

It's hard to find out how many cars with automatic transmissions are being scrapped each year. Statisticians are just beginning to dig deeply into such figures. They weren't needed seven or eight years ago when automatic shifts were on less than 25 per cent of the cars

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# Low Cost Fuel Injector Reported

A high pressure, metered fuel injection system that can be built for \$40 or less has been developed by Sabre Research Corp., Daytona Beach, Fla. Injectors in use cost \$105 to \$180 to manufacture. Their complicated parts often make for operational failure.

In an exclusive interview, Thomas H. Thompson, Sabre's president, gave STEEL some of the details of his system. It already has created some interest in automotive circles.

**Metering**—It consists of a centralized metering unit. Impulses are transferred to each injector by a closed circuit hydraulic system.

**Nozzles**—Fuel is injected through special nozzles which contain a simple mechanical device that determines the dwell period between each shot of fuel into a cylinder. Fuel is kept under constant pressure in each nozzle.

The device differs from the more expensive electronic metering unit used in the Bendix fuel injectors available on Chrysler cars.

**Pump**—Although the Sabre system will work with any fuel pump, Mr. Thompson reports his company has developed its own mechanical pump which is submerged in the fuel tank. The pump is driven by the engine through a closed hydraulic circuit similar to the one used on the metering device.

**Key**—This injection system is made possible by a durable metallic bellows developed by Sabre. The bellows is used in the metering system and fuel pump.

Each bellows is a series of small spring washers which are sealed and joined (by Neoprene O-rings instead of brazing or soldering) to increase the longevity of the unit. Mechanical loads are carried by a metal O-ring surrounding the Neoprene seal, relieving the sealing ring and the washer.

Mr. Thompson points out that larger bellows could be used in air suspension units and hydraulic brake systems.

add the problems of determining used-car fluctuations, national economic trends, and recent changes in car buyers' use of long term credit. It's amazing that analysts come as close as they do.

## Buys Casting Machine

Detroit Gasket & Mfg. Co., Detroit, is installing a semicontinuous casting machine. It is capable of producing as many as 12 aluminum extrusion alloy billets simultaneously in lengths up to 16 ft. It is being furnished with mold equipment to produce billets of 5½ in., 6 in., and 8 in. diameters. Supplementary equipment includes a high speed circular saw capable of cutting through 6063 alloy billets of 8 in. diameter in as little as seconds. The equipment is being manufactured by Lobeck Casting Processes Inc.'s plant in Alburquerque, Pa., and will be installed at Detroit Gasket's Extruded Metals Division in Belding, Mich.

## Exhaust Note

• Chrysler's 300-D luxury sports car is powered by a 380-hp engine—390 hp with fuel injection. The advertised delivered price runs from \$5108 to \$5538 for hardtop and convertible models.

## U. S. Auto Output

Passenger Only

	1957	1956
January . . . .	642,089	612,078
February . . .	571,098	555,596
March . . . . .	578,326	575,260
April . . . . .	549,239	547,619
May . . . . .	531,365	471,675
June . . . . .	500,271	430,373
July . . . . .	495,629	448,876
August . . . .	524,354	402,575
September . .	274,265	190,716
October . . . .	327,362	389,079
November . .	578,601	580,803
11 Mo. Total	5,573,099	5,204,650
December . . . . .		597,226
Total . . . . .		5,802,808
Week Ended	1957	1956
Nov. 9 . . . .	136,742	132,087
Nov. 16 . . .	141,902	135,641
Nov. 23 . . .	151,846	118,949
Nov. 30 . . .	114,795	159,976
Dec. 7 . . . .	139,506	167,576
Dec. 14 . . .	145,162†	158,431
Dec. 21 . . .	146,000*	154,832

Source: Ward's Automotive Reports.  
†Preliminary. \*Estimated by STEEL.

on the road. Now about 80 per cent of cars in service have them.

**Create Demand**—Scrapping not only helps to determine the growth rate of cars in service, but each car scrapped presumably means another must be bought to replace it.

To see how this phase of scrap-page fits into the market forecast picture, STEEL talked with George P. Hitchings, manager of Ford Motor Co.'s Economic Analysis Dept.

**Big Picture**—"The turnover of existing cars is the heart of the new car market," says Mr. Hitchings. More than 85 per cent of new car sales involve the trade or sale of a car. Between 85 and 90 per cent of these trade-ins are less than six years old.

"Only a small proportion is scrapped," Mr. Hitchings adds. In 1956, only slightly more than 700,000 cars in the zero to six-year age group were scrapped.

"Scrappage occurs largely in old cars which are traded for newer used cars. In 1956, there were nearly 2 million cars in the seven to ten year age group which were scrapped and 1.3 million in the still older (prewar) category," he says.

"The previous owners of these cars provided a secondary market for the newer used cars traded for new cars. To this extent, scrap-page has an important indirect impact on new car sales," concludes Mr. Hitchings.

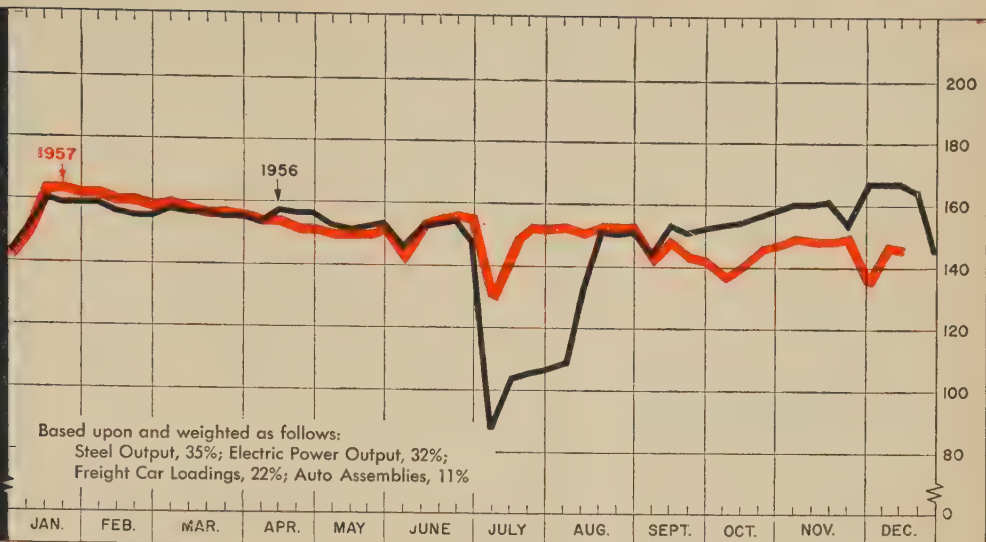
**Small Cog**—To the uncertainties surrounding scrappage estimates,



# STEEL INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX

(1947-1949=100)

LATEST  
WEEK **148\***  
PREVIOUS  
WEEK **149**  
MONTH  
AGO **151**  
YEAR  
AGO **168**



\*Week ended Dec. 14.

## Unemployment Under 5% of Labor Force

**RIISING UNEMPLOYMENT**, falling total employment figures, and shorter workweeks are gaining the national spotlight.

But the glare hides the fact that this nation still has virtually full employment, a factor which will do as much as anything to prevent the business dip of 1957-58 from going too far. It will be a strong influence in the upturn during next year's second half.

**Short Memory**—Many people in business today have never lived through periods of full-blown unemployment, and the memories of their older associates have been dulled by what one economist calls the "hyper-full employment of recent years." In November, unemployment rose by 700,000 (admittedly a disturbing figure) to about 3.2 million. That's about 4.7 per cent of the civilian labor force, and it's a lot of Americans out of work.

But it tends to overshadow the fact that 64.9 million other Americans are still working—most of them at a full workweek and at generally higher hourly wages. Total employment today exceeds the figure for a period as recent as April, 1955.

**Comparisons** — Another important (and often overlooked) fact is that at least part of the latest decline in employment is seasonal.

Last year, the dropoff of 905,000 (or 1.4 per cent) between October and November was not viewed with alarm because the general economy was in its most prosperous period in history. This year, the decline was only a little more—1,132,000, or 1.7 per cent—but it has raised many fears of a depression be-

cause there are some soft spots in the economy.

As far as the general economy is concerned, unemployment is still no major problem, although it could be if trends continue. Economists on the Economic Forum of the National Industrial Conference Board do not feel that the total

### BAROMETERS OF BUSINESS

#### INDUSTRY

	LATEST PERIOD*	PRIOR WEEK	YEAR AGO
Steel Ingot Production (1000 net tons) <sup>2</sup> ...	1,739 <sup>1</sup>	1,770	2,525
Electric Power Distributed (million kw-hr)...	12,400 <sup>1</sup>	12,315	12,200
Bituminous Coal Output (1000 tons)...	9,075 <sup>1</sup>	8,090	10,640
Petroleum Production (daily avg—1000 bbl)...	6,820 <sup>1</sup>	6,850	7,355
Construction Volume ( <i>ENR</i> —millions)...	\$226.5	\$201.0	\$528.1
Auto, Truck Output, U. S., Canada ( <i>Ward's</i> )	174,593 <sup>1</sup>	167,761	195,168

#### TRADE

	LATEST PERIOD*	PRIOR WEEK	YEAR AGO
Freight Car Loadings (1000 cars) .....	600 <sup>1</sup>	618	717
Business Failures (Dun & Bradstreet) .....	287	235	270
Currency in Circulation (millions) <sup>3</sup> .....	\$31,827	\$31,666	\$31,660
Dept. Store Sales (changes from year ago) <sup>3</sup>	-5%	-20%	-3%

#### FINANCE

	LATEST PERIOD*	PRIOR WEEK	YEAR AGO
Bank Clearings (Dun & Bradstreet, millions)	\$21,660	\$22,099	\$21,887
Federal Gross Debt (billions) .....	\$274.7	\$274.8	\$276.2
Bond Volume, NYSE (millions) .....	\$30.0	\$28.5	\$33.3
Stocks Sales, NYSE (thousands of shares)...	11,847	11,077	11,811
Loans and Investments (billions) <sup>4</sup> .....	\$86.9	\$86.1	\$86.2
U. S. Govt. Obligations Held (billions) <sup>4</sup> ...	\$25.6	\$25.0	\$25.8

#### PRICES

	LATEST PERIOD*	PRIOR WEEK	YEAR AGO
STEEL's Finished Steel Price Index <sup>5</sup> .....	239.15	239.15	225.92
STEEL's Nonferrous Metal Price Index <sup>6</sup> .....	206.5	206.5	253.2
All Commodities <sup>7</sup> .....	118.0	117.9	116.2
Commodities Other Than Farm & Foods <sup>7</sup> ...	125.7	125.7	124.6

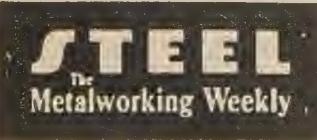
\*Dates on request. <sup>1</sup>Preliminary. <sup>2</sup>Weekly capacities, net tons: 1957, 2,559,490; 1956, 2,461,893. <sup>3</sup>Federal Reserve Board. <sup>4</sup>Member banks, Federal Reserve System. <sup>5</sup>1935-1939=100. <sup>6</sup>1936-1939=100. <sup>7</sup>Bureau of Labor Statistics Index, 1947-1949=100.



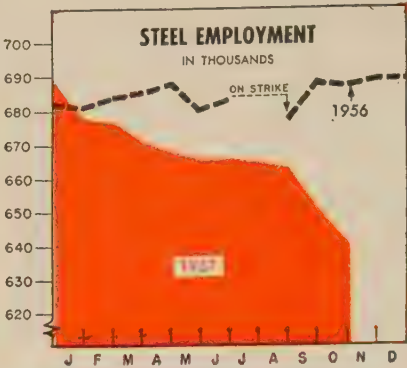
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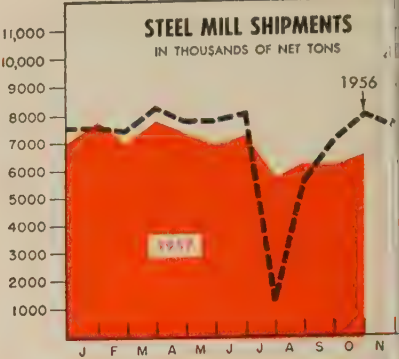


THE BUSINESS TREND



	Employment in Thousands		Payroll in Millions	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Jan. ....	678	681	\$360.4	\$329.1
Feb. ....	677	684	327.5	317.3
Mar. ....	671	685	344.2	338.1
Apr. ....	663	688	331.5	326.7
May ....	666	680	338.0	333.6
June ....	666	683	324.8	332.4
July ....	665	n.a.	334.6	n.a.
Aug. ....	663	677	343.7	300.9
Sept. ....	651	688	330.1	339.0
Oct. ....	640	687	345.6	358.9
Nov. ....	...	689	...	346.0
Dec. ....	...	689	...	347.2

n.a.—not available because of strike.  
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	Net Tons		1956	1957
	1957	1956	1956	1957
Jan. ..	7,809,451	7,587,870	6,009,451	7,809,451
Feb. ..	7,066,732	7,468,393	6,119,451	7,066,732
Mar. ..	7,821,616	8,255,824	7,268,451	7,821,616
Apr. ..	7,349,752	7,783,873	7,278,451	7,349,752
May ..	6,972,091	7,764,776	7,540,451	6,972,091
June ..	7,284,616	8,077,805	7,770,451	7,284,616
July ..	5,877,133	1,283,988	6,250,451	5,877,133
Aug. ..	6,229,853	5,539,915	7,058,451	6,229,853
Sept. ..	6,171,674	7,058,028	7,378,451	6,171,674
Oct. ..	6,550,690	7,930,957	7,218,451	6,550,690
Nov. ..	...	7,431,136	7,247,451	...
Dec. ..	...	7,064,093	7,589,451	...

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will go much beyond an average of 3.6 million during the first half of 1958, with a decline to a 3.4 million average during the second half.

At that rate, unemployment would still be only about 5 per cent of the projected labor force. That would be small in both numbers and percentage of working force, compared with unemployment prior to World War II. (In 1940, unemployment averaged 8.1 million a month, or 14.6 per cent of the working force.)

Bearing the Brunt—Disturbing to the metalworking industry is the large part it has played in the most recent drop in total employment. The five leading segments (primary metals, fabricated metal products, machinery, electrical machinery, and transportation equipment) dropped nearly 57,000 from their ranks from October to November, despite a strong seasonal uptrend in the automotive industry.

Some recent examples: Spang-Chalfant Div. of National Supply Co., laid off 470 at Ambridge, Pa., on Dec. 9; Thompson Products Inc., 1000 in November; Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co., 175 in Michigan mining areas last week; Timken

Roller Bearing Co., 550 since mid-November—and it plans to lay off 250 more in January.

The steel industry alone employed 9000 less in October than in September (see chart above), and the trend has continued through November and December.

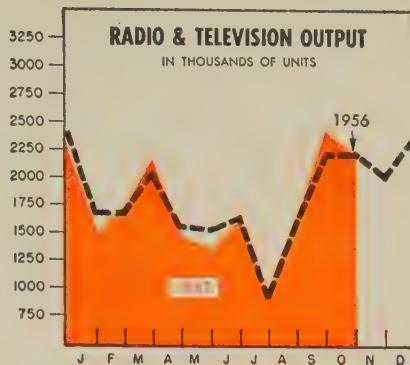
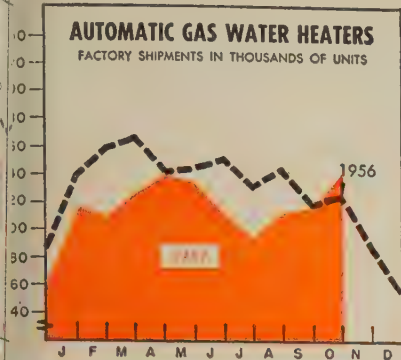
Pay Is Up — But hourly wages scales continue to climb. The steel industry's payroll is still at near-record levels (see table above). Average hourly earnings in manufacturing industries reached an all-time high of \$2.10 last month. Every category except three (furniture; stone, clay, and glass products; and paper) either stayed at the October level or advanced.

The high wage rate, coupled with higher earning power resulting from a slowdown in inflation, is prompting many businessmen and economists to predict that the recession will be one of the mildest on record.

Appliance Men Optimistic

Manufacturers of laundry appliances are anticipating that enough buying power will be unleashed in 1958 to give them their third best year in history. This year will be fourth best, says the American





	Shipments—Units		
	1957	1956	1955
Jan. ....	214,900	239,000	210,900
Feb. ....	208,200	259,200	228,400
Mar. ....	226,600	267,500	263,100
Apr. ....	235,200	241,200	245,200
May ....	233,400	244,300	229,400
June ....	211,700	251,500	227,100
July ....	192,500	231,900	219,300
Aug. ....	210,300	243,500	275,600
Sept. ....	215,600	218,100	237,100
Oct. ....	240,900*	224,700	231,200
Nov. ....	.....	184,400	195,500
Dec. ....	.....	156,800	185,400
Totals ...	.....	2,762,100	2,748,200

\*Preliminary.  
Gas Appliance Mfrs. Assn.

	Radio		Television	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Jan. ....	1,086	1,079	450	588
Feb. ....	1,265	1,094	465	576
Mar. ....	1,609	1,360	560	680
Apr. ....	1,116	993	361	550
May ....	1,024	1,060	342	468
June ....	1,088	1,073	544	553
July ....	613	567	360	337
Aug. ....	966	991	674	613
Sept. ....	1,611	1,319	833	894
Oct. ....	1,569	1,349	662	821
Nov. ....	.....	1,382	...	680
Dec. ....	.....	1,715	...	627
Totals ...	.....	13,982	...	7,387

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Home Laundry Manufacturers' Association.

Automatic washer sales will total 2.9 million, compared with 2.8 million for this year. Automatic dryers will equal or slightly exceed the 1956 record of 1.5 million, compared with this year's 1.31 million. Automatic ironers will continue their downtrend from 46,000 units this year to 45,000 units in 1958. Washer-dryers, the industry's newest growth product, will jump from this year's 180,000 units to better than 250,000 next year.

## Electronics: No Slowdown

One of the fastest growing industries—electronics—shows no signs of slowing down in the near future. The Electronic Industries Association declares that industry sales rose "from \$5.9 billion to more than \$7 billion this year, and another increase of 8 to 10 per cent is expected next year."

Speaking before the annual forecast session of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, James D. Secrest, executive vice president of the Electronic Association, said that military sales led the increase this year, and that greater emphasis on missile output and a higher de-

fense budget are certain to boost the total again next year.

Industrial sales, which rose from \$950 million in 1956 to \$1.3 billion this year, will increase again in 1958. Even sales of TV receivers, which have been off this year, will rise in 1958. Higher radio, phonograph, and high fidelity equipment sales will round out the rosy picture next year.

## Trends Fore and Aft

- The government's wholesale price index continued its uptrend in November, reaching 118 (1947-49=100). Weekly figures indicate the December level has backed off a bit.
- The October bookings index of the Material Handling Institute Inc. continued to recover from the August low point with a reading of 124.8 (1954=100). Industry leaders look for the first half of 1958 to hold at the level of 1957's last half, with a pickup following in the second half.
- New orders for foundry equipment improved in October. The index of the Foundry Equipment Manufacturers Association moved up from 113.9 in September to 145.3 in October (1947-49=100).





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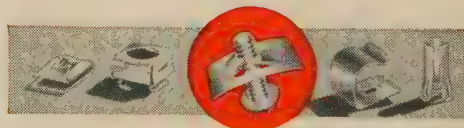
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Paul H. Daley was promoted to director of sales, Heppenstall Co., Pittsburgh. He was general manager-operations. J. O. Phillips was made assistant manager, forging and die steel sales. He was assistant to the president.

Don S. Connor was elected president and general manager, Micromatic Hone Corp., Detroit. Former executive vice president and general manager, he succeeds Kirke W. Connor, founder of the firm, who was made chairman.

James I. Ashley was appointed sales engineer for the press division of E. W. Bliss Co., covering the southern California territory formerly served by M. F. Strauss, retired. He has headquarters in Burbank, Calif. Mr. Ashley was sales manager for Kenco Mfg. Co.

William B. Harris was made manager of western commercial sales by Townsend Co. He has headquarters at Santa Ana, Calif.

William W. Harger was named chief project manager at Link Aviation Inc., Binghamton, N. Y.

John Stevens, president and chairman of Marathon Corp., Menasha, Wis., which was recently merged with American Can Co., was elected a vice president of Canco. Roy J. Sund, former executive vice president of Marathon, was elected vice president and general manager of the newly formed Marathon Div. Both have headquarters in Menasha.

D. A. Stromsoe was elected president and general manager, Southern Pipe & Casing Co., Azusa, Calif., division of U. S. Industries. R. A. Stumm, former president, was named chairman and chief executive officer. D. N. Chamberlain, vice president-sales, succeeds Mr. Stromsoe as executive vice president.

Norman N. Amrhein was elected president, Federal Malleable Co., West Allis, Wis., to succeed Carl L. Liebau, now chairman, a new post. Felix J. Huwiler, sales manager, was elected vice president-sales. Thomas Teetor was made general superintendent; Harold T. Hoak, plant metallurgist; Herman L. Wintheiser, supervisor of technical sales.

Pat H. Luckett, sales manager of Rockwell Mfg. Co.'s instrument division, Tulsa, Okla., was promoted to assistant product manager-gas products, meter and valve division. He has headquarters in Pittsburgh.

John J. Newsome Jr. was made New York area branch manager for sales and service of Pettibone Mulliken Corp.'s line of material handling equipment.

George J. Wist was named purchasing director, Anchor Post Products Inc., Baltimore. He replaces Frank K. Read, retired.

D. E. Reichelderfer was elected vice president - finance, Armco Steel Corp., Middletown, Ohio. He continues as controller.

David Eisendrath was made vice president - manufacturing at Cory Corp., Chicago. He formerly headed manufacturing of the Cory and Nicro Divisions. In addition, he now includes the Flavor - Seal, Fresh'nd-Aire and Mitchell manufacturing divisions.

James P. Jennings was made factory manager in the Buffalo Hydraulics Div.'s plant, Houdaille Industries Inc. He succeeds Daniel J. Kennedy, now assistant general manager of Wales-Strippit, subsidiary in Akron, N. Y.

John J. O'Connor was made manager, production planning for the stainless steel division of Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., at Warren, Mich. He succeeds Wayne A. Lee, resigned.

Robert G. Allen was elected executive vice president, Bucyrus-Erie Co., South Milwaukee, Wis. He joined the firm in July as a vice president, and a month later was made executive assistant to the president and placed in charge of manufacturing. Before joining Bucyrus-Erie, he was president of Pesco Products and Wooster Divisions of Borg-Warner Corp.

O. W. Carpenter was elected executive vice president, Chain Belt Co., Milwaukee. He was vice president in charge of construction machinery and finance. He now is responsible for current operations of the company. New vice presidents are: W. C. Messinger, in charge of construction machinery; E. M. Rhodes, in charge of industrial



equipment; G. H. Woodland, marketing.

**Cutler-Hammer Inc.** appointed **Thomas J. Manning** manager of its new plant, now under construction at Lincoln, Ill. Since 1953, he has been superintendent of the New York works, operating out of headquarters in Milwaukee.

**Ivan Calicoat**, former manager of **Dana Corp.**'s aircraft gear plant in Ft. Wayne, Ind., was made manager of technical service at Toledo, Ohio, general headquarters. He is responsible for co-ordination of manufacturing and engineering divisions in matters affecting the quality of Dana products for automotive and transportation industries, and their performance in the field.

**William A. Lewis** was made production planning manager for **Lamson Corp.**, Syracuse, N. Y.

**Joseph S. Pendleton Jr.**, sales service metallurgist, **Carpenter Steel Co.**, Reading, Pa., was promoted to metallurgist-tool and alloy steels.

**Herbert A. Kutscha** was made manager-outside sales, reinforcing products, at the Chicago plant of **Joseph T. Ryerson & Son Inc.**

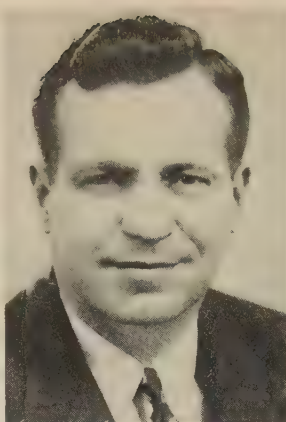
**J. J. Witzig Jr.** was promoted from sales representative to sales manager-Chicago district mill office for **Detroit Steel Corp.** He succeeds **A. J. Rousseau**, retired. **Joseph R. Ricker** replaces Mr. Witzig as sales representative.

**William W. Wotherspoon** was appointed services manager, steel division, **Ford Motor Co.**, Dearborn, Mich.

**Dr. Gerald M. Rassweiler** was made head of **General Motors Corp.**'s physics and instrumentation department, research staff, Warren, Mich. He succeeds **Dr. Edward J. Martin**, retired.

**Capac Industries Inc.**, Capac, Mich., appointed **Arnold M. Varner** plant superintendent of its Michigan plant.

**V. J. Lajeunesse** was elected president, **Union Metal Mfg. Co.**, Canton, Ohio. He succeeds **C. A. Streb**, now chairman. Mr. Lajeunesse was executive vice president.



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executives at Wm. K. Stamets Co.

**W. J. Smetak** was elected president, treasurer, and general manager, **Wm. K. Stamets Co.**, Pittsburgh, and its subsidiary, **Stamets Export Co.** **Henry R. Hanson** was elected vice president and general manager, distributor division. **A. H. Long**, chief engineer, was elected vice president-engineering.

**A. O. Smith Corp.**, Milwaukee, elected as vice presidents: **M. E. Morgan**, director of purchases; **W. W. Higgins**, chief engineer; **S. E. Wolkenheim**, director of marketing; **R. F. McGinn**, director of research and development. New operating vice presidents are: **J. H. Brinker**, general manager in charge of **Permaglas** consumer products, Kankakee, Ill.; and **John S. Randall**, in charge of industrial products.

**Archie J. Smith** was made west coast representative for **Lake Erie Machinery Corp.** He has offices in Van Nuys, Calif.

**Nolan McDonald** was named plant manager of **Pheoli Mfg. Co.**'s new press products department in Michigan City, Ind. This plant manufactures impact extrusions of high-strength aluminum alloys, brass, magnesium, copper, steel, and other metals.

**Southworth Machine Co.**, Portland, Maine, elected **Stuart W. Tisdale** president; **George F. Thurber Jr.** and **H. Theodore Hawkes**, vice presidents; **Thomas S. Dyer**, production manager; **Gordon Braun**, shop superintendent.

**Jean F. Gschwind** was appointed vice president-development and research, a new office at **J. O. Ross**

**Engineering Corp.**, New York. He was vice president-general manager, **Ross Midwest Fulton Corp.**

**Alex A. DeBlander** was appointed superintendent of **Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.**'s new stainless steel sheet and strip mill, now under construction at Canton, Ohio.

**Canadian Steel Foundries Ltd.**, Montreal, Que., appointed **G. L. McMillin** president and general manager, succeeding **A. C. MacDonald**, now vice chairman of the board.

**Carl Neisser** was made manufacturing manager, systems division, **Beckman Instruments Inc.**, Anaheim, Calif.

**Jack Wilson** was made general sales manager, **Max Ams Machine Co.**, Bridgeport, Conn.

**Laird Anderson** was made manager of manufacturing planning and production engineering, **Edsel Div.**, **Ford Motor Co.**, Dearborn, Mich.

**Dan Chimenti** was made director of manufacturing, **International Harvester Co.**, Chicago. Former general manager, farm tractor division, he is succeeded by **Paul W. Johnson**, who was Louisville works manager.

**Milton T. Schimmel** was appointed west coast sales engineer for **Conforming Matrix Corp.** He is at Gardena, Calif.

**Kenneth C. Edson** was made Los Angeles district sales manager, **Kelite Corp.**

**Oscar K. Undeberg** was named vice



# COMPLETE

# Finishing SYSTEMS

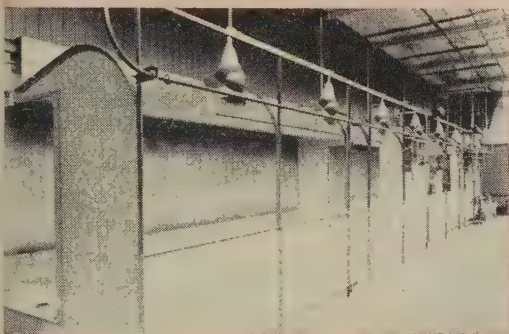
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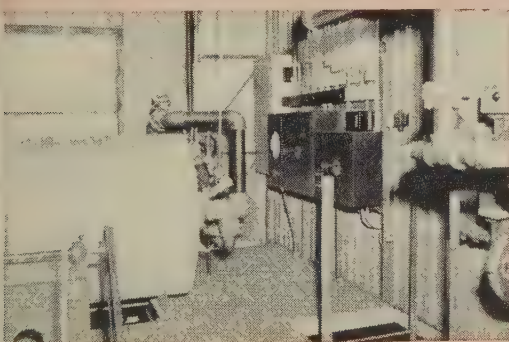
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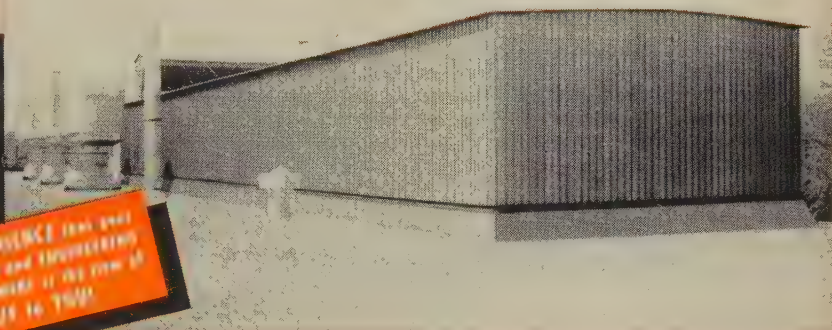
Mahon Dry-Off Oven at Exit End of Cleaning and Rust Proofing Machine. Oven Controls are visible in the foreground.



48 Ft. Mahon Hydro-Filter Spray Booth in foreground. Another 24 Ft. Spray Booth for reverse side painting is visible in the background. Note Filtered Air Diffusers in the Ceiling.



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Gary Steel Wks. gen. supt.

president-general manager, **K & M Engineering Corp.**, Downey, Calif.

**C. Richard Bayman** joined **Herr Equipment Corp.** as sales engineer. He will work out of the home office in Warren, Ohio. Mr. Bayman formerly was chief plant engineer, **Brainard Steel Div.**, **Sharon Steel Corp.**

**Siegler Corp.**, Anaheim, Calif., established a separate division for its Centralia, Ill., space heating operation, to be known as **Siegler Heating Co.** **Walter G. Ullman** was appointed president of the new division; **Norman E. Grandt**, first vice president. Both are vice presidents of **Siegler Corp.** **Ben F. Ostergren** was appointed vice president-sales for the division.

**Robert R. Beachler Jr.** was appointed director of engineering, **Leach Corp.**, Los Angeles.

**Signode Steel Strapping Co.** named six regional managers (former district managers). They are: **C. J. Da Costa**, Cleveland; **R. E. Jacobs**, St. Louis; **T. E. Noon**, Boston; **Almer Pearson**, New York; **S. N. Salomon**, Pittsburgh; **J. R. Williams**, Chicago.

**Theodore R. Peyrek** was elected vice president-sales, **L. J. Wing Mfg. Co.**, division of **Aero Supply Mfg. Co. Inc.**, Linden, N. J. He is assisted by **Adolph W. Hein**. Mr. Peyrek was vice president and manager, heating and ventilation division.

**Charles F. Pearson** fills the new post of director of marketing for **Spincraft Inc.**, Milwaukee. He was contract sales manager and Canadian sales manager for **Ben-Hur Mfg. Co.**

**Thomas W. Hunter** was made general superintendent of **U. S. Steel Corp.**'s Gary, Ind., Steel Works. He was assistant to the vice president-operations of the corporation.

**Reynolds Metals Co.** appointed **Milton F. Jones** regional manager-packaging sales, south central region, with headquarters in St. Louis. He succeeds **John J. Geiss**, transferred to Detroit, Great Lakes region.

**Geoffrey J. Letchworth Jr.** was elected vice president-secretary, **Barcalo Mfg. Co.**, Buffalo. **Henry W. Senf** was made treasurer. Mr. Letchworth is general manager, tool division, and was formerly secretary-treasurer.

**Frank K. Platt**, president, **Air Engineering Co.**, Kalamazoo, Mich., has relinquished that post to become central regional manager for all products of **American Air Filter Co. Inc.**, with headquarters in Detroit. He was succeeded at **Air Engineering** by **L. B. Mason**.

**Bernard A. Artz** was made Los Angeles district manager, **Fischer & Porter Co.** He is replaced as district manager, Knoxville, Tenn., by **G. Dale Hetrick Jr.**

**Donald W. Walker** was made Philadelphia district sales manager, **Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales Inc.**, to replace **R. P. Jensen**, now sales manager, foil and container division, Chicago.

**Kenneth L. Madden** was made manager of **Electronic Welding's** Burbank, Calif., plant.

**Arthur P. Moss** was made works

manager, **Union Carbide Chemical Co.**, division of **Union Carbide Corp.**, New York.

**L. E. Long** was made manager of the San Francisco electrical sales branch of **Wagner Electric Corp.**

**Joseph W. Duba** was made assistant manager, Cincinnati sales branch, **Crucible Steel Co. of America**.

**Daniel M. Pierce** was made general manager, **Seaboard Structural Steel**, Wilmington, Del.

**William H. Oler** was made sales manager, engineering division, **Hauck Mfg. Co.**, Brooklyn, N. Y.

**James F. Byrne** was made director of material, **Norden Laboratories Div.**, White Plains, N. Y., **Norden Ketay Corp.**

**Arthur G. Whyte Jr.** was appointed general sales manager, **Capitol Products Corp.**, Mechanicsburg, Pa. He was director of specialty divisions of **United States Plywood Corp.** Mr. Whyte replaces **Paul Hill**.

## OBITUARIES...

**F. Floyd Harter**, district manager, **Universal Cyclops Steel Corp.**, died Dec. 11 in Hartford, Conn.

**Edwin R. Bartlett**, 74, retired president, **Hooker Electrochemical Co.**, Niagara Falls, N. Y., died Dec. 10.

**John H. Victor**, 75, founder and chairman, **Victor Mfg. & Gasket Co.**, Chicago, died Dec. 8.

**James R. Cardwell**, chairman, **Cardwell Westinghouse Co.**, Chicago, died Dec. 8.

**Edward W. Murphy**, manager of the supplies division, **Yawman & Erbe Mfg. Co.**, Rochester, N. Y., died Dec. 4.

**Geoffrey Letchworth**, 75, an executive of **Pratt & Letchworth Co.**, Buffalo, for many years, died Dec. 7.

**William H. Jewell**, 64, vice president, **Ingersoll-Rand Co.**, Athens, Pa., and consultant to the general manager, died Dec. 15.



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# New Research Group

Coal producers, users, and equipment suppliers establish major research center in Pittsburgh

THE COAL industry's research facilities are being consolidated. The bituminous coal industry, major coal users, and companies which supply materials and equipment to the industry are establishing a major coal research center in Pittsburgh. It will be operated by the Bituminous Coal Research Inc.

The consolidation will combine the laboratory operated by the coal industry in Columbus, Ohio, the laboratory and administrative headquarters in Pittsburgh, and the organization's fiscal offices in Washington.

**Aims** — The center's program will include basic research. Its activities will emphasize the development of improved coal utilization methods and equipment. Objectives will encompass preparation, transportation, handling, and storage of coal; its use as electric utility fuel; and more efficient utilization in the production of industrial steam and for space heating.

Investigations will be carried out on subjects related to coke production and the use of coal by the iron and steel and nonferrous metal producing industries. Research will also cover the fields of gasification, chemicals, and other process uses of coal.

## Foundry Opens in South

Cornwall Foundry Co. is operating a foundry in Meridian, Miss. The new firm is making gray iron castings for manufacturers of stoves, water heaters, and machinery. R. W. Mellow is president.

## Awards Zirconium Contract

Firth Sterling Inc., Pittsburgh, has been awarded a \$1.5-million contract by Westinghouse Electric Corp., that city, for the melting of zirconium ingots from sponge and conversion into finished products. About 40,000 lb of zirconium alloy mill products will be produced in the 12-month period which started Nov. 1, 1957. The material will be used primarily for structural

parts and fuel element cladding in reactor cores, being developed by Bettis Atomic Power Div. for the Atomic Energy Commission and the Navy. Firth Sterling will double its melting capacity by the first of the year with the addition of new melting facilities.

## Speeds Work on Missiles

Expansion of the west coast missiles industry is proceeding rapidly. Douglas Aircraft Co. has disclosed that 33 per cent of its \$1-billion order backlog is earmarked for missiles. Its Santa Monica, Calif., plant is starting full-scale production of the Thor IRBM for the Air Force. Lockheed Missiles System Div., Lockheed Aircraft Corp., will build a \$3-million development facility at Sunnyville, Calif., for the Navy's Polaris ballistic missile.

Ramo-Wooldridge Corp., Los Angeles, established its Space Technology Laboratories as an autonomous operation division. It is an outgrowth and extension of the former Guided Missile Research Div. Dr. Simon Ramo will devote full time as president of the laboratories. Dr. L. G. Dunn is executive vice president and general manager. Dr. R. F. Mettler is vice president and assistant general manager.

## Transformer Unit Moved

With the removal of Eisler Engineering Co.'s transformer manufacturing facilities from Newark, N. J., to its new plant at 16 N. Salem St., Dover, N. J., this division is now operating as a wholly owned subsidiary under the name of Eisler Transformer Co. Inc. Gerald B. Schenkel is vice president of the new corporation.

## J&L To Buy Equipment

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, will spend some \$16.3 million for plant and equipment at its new stainless steel sheet and strip mill under construction at Louisville, Ohio. The facilities, to be housed in renovated and new buildings on the site of the old Superior Sheet Steel Co., will have an annual capacity of about 36,000 tons of stainless steel sheets and

strip. New equipment will include a high-speed Sendzimir mill for cold rolling, a continuous annealing and pickling line for cold-rolled sheets, a coil preparation line for incoming hot-rolled sheets, a 54-in. temper mill, three side strip and slitting lines, two shear-to-length lines for cutting coils into sheets and an inspection line for surface checks and recoiling. Other equipment includes polishers, grinders and material handling units.

## Carpenter Steel To Expand

Carpenter Steel Co., Reading, Pa., may invest up to \$6.5 million in its recently acquired subsidiary, Carpenter Steel of New England Inc., Bridgeport, Conn. (STEEL Dec. 2, p. 81). The amount spent will depend on market potential, customer requirements, cost of local services and supplies, and many other factors under study, says Frank R. Palmer, president. The investment will cover additional machinery, including in-process inspection equipment, inventories and other working capital.

## Will Build Bearing Plant

Miniature Precision Bearings Inc., Keene, N. H., is building a \$350,000 plant at Lebanon, N. H., for its Split Ballbearing Div. The division makes a line of standard size ball bearings.



## NEW OFFICES

Fafnir Bearing Co., New Britain, Conn., is building a \$100,000 branch office and warehouse at Milbrae, Calif. Robert H. Gordon is district manager.

PIC Design Corp., East Rockaway, N. Y., established a branch office at 7335 Van Nuys Blvd., Van Nuys, Calif. John R. Smith has been appointed district manager. The firm makes precision instrument parts and components.

International Parts Corp. and its division, Midas Inc., opened a new warehousing, shipping, and office building at 4101 W. 42nd Place, Chicago. Transfer of property from the present three Chicago ad-



resses will be completed around the first of the year.



## CONSOLIDATIONS

**L. A. Young Industries of Canada Ltd.**, Windsor, Ont., purchased **Canadian Automotive Trim Ltd.**, Ajax, Ont., a subsidiary of **National Automotive Fibres Inc.**, Detroit. The new owner is a subsidiary of **Young Spring & Wire Corp.** (formerly **L. A. Young Spring & Wire Corp.**), Detroit. The 120,000 sq-ft manufacturing plant will be operated as the **Canadian Automotive Trim Div.** of **L. A. Young Industries**.

**Peninsular Metal Products Corp.**, Ferndale, Mich., is purchasing the **George L. Nankervis Co.**, Detroit, manufacturer of automotive and aircraft testing equipment; electroplating and metal finishing equipment; electromechanical devices; and precision flow measuring instruments and related equipment used in the aircraft industry.

Merger negotiations between **Dresser Industries Inc.**, Dallas, and **Gardner-Denver Co.**, Quincy, Ill., have been terminated.

**J. S. Thorn Co.**, Philadelphia, merged with **Fenestra Inc.**, Detroit, and is being operated as the **Aluminum Div.** of **Fenestra**.

Merger of **Midland Steel Products Co.** and **J. O. Ross Engineering Corp.**, including its subsidiaries, became effective on Dec. 7. Executive offices of the new firm, **Midland-Ross Corp.**, are in Cleveland.

**Texsteam Corp.**, Houston, purchased **Graham-Lemunyon Corp.**, Los Angeles, producer of plug valves used by the oil production industry. **Texsteam** is a subsidiary of **Vapor Heating Corp.**, Chicago.

**National Distillers & Chemical Corp.** purchased **Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co.**'s 40 per cent minority interest in **National Petrochemicals Corp.** which thus becomes a wholly owned subsidiary of **National Distillers**. **National**

**Petro-Chem** owns a large petrochemicals plant in Tuscola, Ill., and is constructing a second polyethylene plant at Houston.



## ASSOCIATIONS

**American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical & Petroleum Engineers Inc.**, New York, elected Dr. Augustus B. Kinzel, **Union Carbide Corp.**, president. Other officers are: President-elect, H. C. Pyle, **Monterey Oil Co.**, Los Angeles; and vice presidents, A. W. Thornton of **National Tube Div.**, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, and J. C. Kinnear Jr., of **Nevada Mines Div.**, **Kennecott Copper Corp.**, McGill, Nev. They will be installed Feb. 18.

The **Society of Mining Engineers** of **AIME** has nominated J. W. Woomer of Pittsburgh as president-elect of **SME** for 1958. If elected, he will become president in 1959. S. D. Michaelson, **Kennecott Copper Corp.**, will be president in 1958, succeeding Elmer A. Jones, **St. Joseph Lead Co.**

**Electric Overhead Crane Institute Inc.**, Washington, elected these officers: President, Frank M. Blum, **Harnischfeger Corp.**, Milwaukee; and vice president, Arland R. Walkley, **Manning, Maxwell & Moore Inc.**, Muskegon, Mich. Joe H. Peritz was re-elected executive secretary and treasurer; C. M. Dinkins, general counsel.

**Metals Engineering Institute**, a division of the **American Society for Metals**, Cleveland, appointed Lewis W. Berger training supervisor. He is a research metallurgist.

**Air Moving & Conditioning Association**, Detroit, elected these officers: President, James W. Wilcock, **Sturtevant Div.**, **Westinghouse Electric Corp.**, Boston; secretary-treasurer, J. J. Merrick, **John J. Nesbitt Inc.**, Philadelphia; and vice presidents, R. A. Wasson of **Clarage Fan Co.**, Kalamazoo, Mich.; L. A. Macrow of **Carrier Corp.**, Syracuse, N. Y., and W. H. Rietz of **Ilg Electric Ventilating Co.**, Chicago. Marshall F. Allen has been appointed executive vice

president of the association and Robert K. Guy, assistant to that officer.

Arthur Colton has been appointed staff administrator to the **National Standards Committee** of the **American Society of Tool Engineers**, Detroit. He is responsible for executing policies formulated by the committee and maintaining liaison with the **American Standards Association** and standards committees of other engineering groups.

Charles F. Smith, **National Guard Products Inc.**, Memphis, Tenn., was elected president of the **Weatherstrip Research Institute**, Riverside, Ill. Other officers are: First vice president, Harry Zegers Jr., Chicago; second vice president, R. P. Rodenbaugh, Memphis; secretary, Richard Erck, Chicago; and treasurer, W. F. Michals, Chicago. L. G. Klee was re-elected executive secretary.



## NEW PLANTS

**Rockwell Mfg. Co.**, Pittsburgh, has started limited production in its new 180,000 sq-ft plant at Kearney, Nebr. The \$2-million facility turns out **Rockwell-Nordstrom** lubricated plug valves. W. D. Willes is general manager of the plant.

**Lock Seam Tube Inc.** acquired a mill in Montgomeryville, Pa., to fabricate lock seam tubing and rolled metal shapes. The plant will use about 5 million lb of steel each year in cold-rolled and galvanized finishes.

**Southern Fabricating Co. Inc.** opened a steel tubing plant at Sheffield, Ala. All commercial sizes, gages, and shapes are offered. William E. Daily is sales manager.

**Firth Sterling Inc.**, Pittsburgh, formally opened its Los Angeles warehouse. The facility has been in operation for a year. It is equipped to make semistandard and special shapes which were previously manufactured in the East.



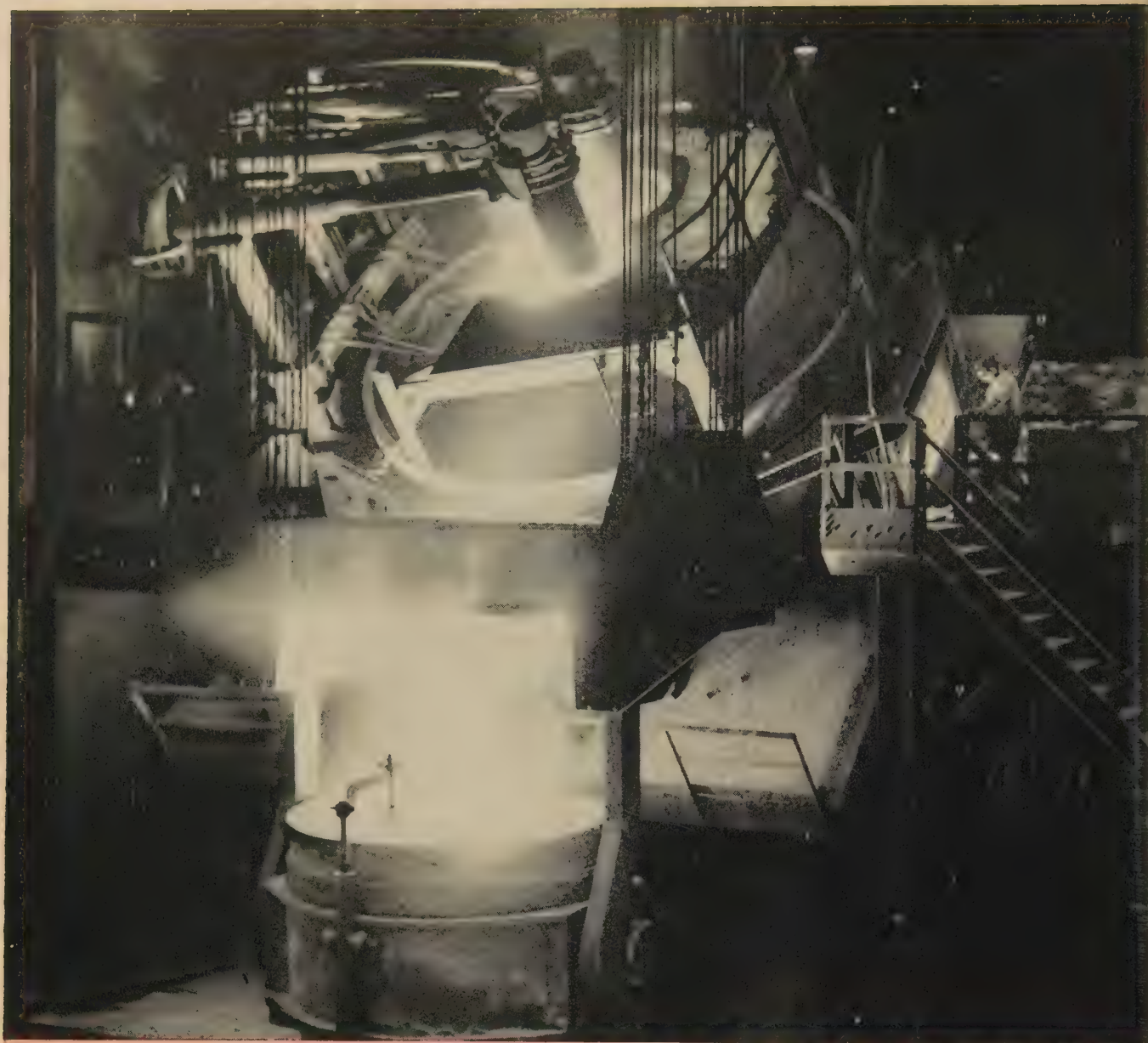


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# Technical Outlook

**BETTER INSPECTION**— Dominion Foundries & Steel Ltd., Hamilton, Ont., will soon start using a gamma radiography machine with a capacity of 1000 curies of cobalt 60 (equivalent to a 2 million volt x-ray machine). It will inspect large steel castings—some with sections up to 9 in. thick. Nuclear Systems, a division of Budd Co., Philadelphia, which built the equipment, calls it the largest, commercially built, gamma radiography machine.

**COATED ALUMINUM PIPE**— New possibilities for aboveground systems are opened up by aluminum pipe coated with a new baked polyurethane coating. It provides excellent resistance to salt water, acids, caustic, oil, and other corrosive agents. Tube-Kote, Houston, is making the product with Kaiser Aluminum pipe.

**GIANT STRETCH**— Convair, San Diego, Calif., is using a new radial draw former to bend 40-ft aluminum H-sections into belt frames for its jet transport, the 880. The largest ever made by Cyril Bath, Solon, Ohio, the machine has a 150-in. worktable, a 75-ton tension ram, and a 35-ton wiper.

**BETTER DIECASTINGS**— Work on a new facility for fundamental research on the diecasting process will be started by Alcoa in January at its Chicago works. It will be equipped for full scale pilot plant operations.

**NEW BEARING ALLOY**— It contains about 20 per cent tin, the remainder is aluminum hardened with 1 to 3 per cent copper. The tin has a structure which is continuous without disturbing the continuity of the aluminum matrix (termed reticular). If there is metal-to-metal contact between the shaft and bearing, there is an immediate supply of tin available at the surface to provide a thin soft layer over the aluminum and prevent surface breakdown. When supplied as steel backed bearings, the new alloy

"provides a better balance between the opposing demands of high fatigue strength and low rates of wear than any other plain bearings," reports the Tin Research Institute (England). It has been working on the development for several years.

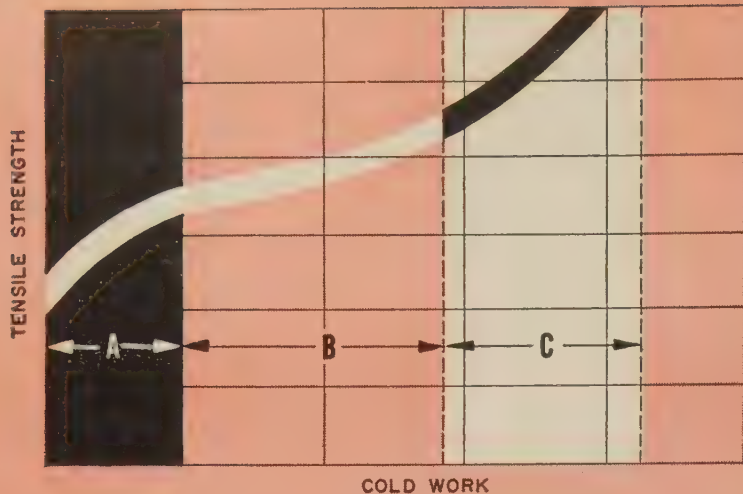
**NEW WAY TO MACHINE**— A patent issued to Carl Zeiss, Germany, covers drilling with a concentrated beam of electrons. The device has a source of electrons, a means to accelerate them, and a controller. Electrons are focused into the shape of a cylinder. Size depends on the hole desired. The electron beam rapidly melts its way through metal, it is claimed.

**PROTECTS MOLYBDENUM**— Chromalloy Corp., New York, says it has developed a process for diffusing chromium into the surface of molybdenum which will protect it against oxidation at 2000° F and higher.

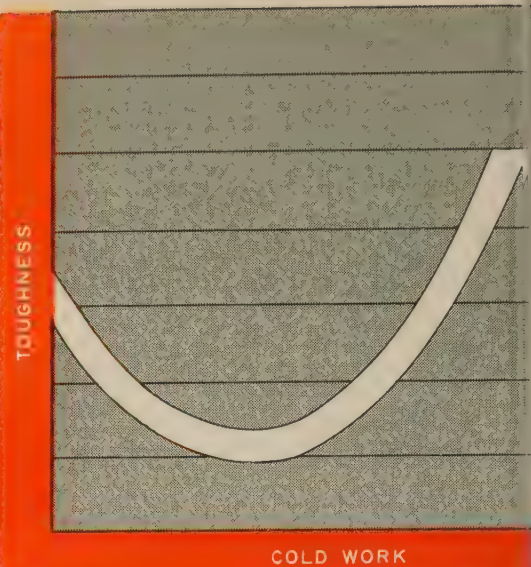
**NEW ETCH**— A process for etching printed circuits uses a solution of ammonium persulfate instead of ferric chloride or chromic acid solutions. Its developer, Becco Chemical Div., Food Machinery & Chemical Corp., Buffalo, cites these advantages: 1. All types of circuits can be etched in one system. 2. The etchant is relatively noncorrosive. 3. Sludge formation is avoided. 4. Copper can be recovered from spent solution. 5. Waste solution can be disposed of easily.

**WELDING HEAT**— Distortion in welded structures depends partly on the heat at the weld. Dr. Gerard E. Claussen's recent abstract of a German research article in the *Welding Journal* compares the amount of heat given off by bronze, wash coated steel, and medium heavy coated steel electrodes: The most heat is given off by the 6020 electrode and deep penetration types. Distortion measurements follow the same pattern as heat outputs.





Tensile strength increases when larger reductions are used. The graph shows that cold working is most effective in small or large amounts. The midrange yields little benefit



Toughness can be improved when large reductions are used. Often producers stop before toughness begins to improve

## How To Upgrade Cold-Finished Steel

A PROMISING potential for cold-worked steel lies beyond the colored zone in the graph above.

The zone marked "A" represents the area in which most cold finishing mills are working today. The middle zone has been explored, but the slight increase in strength and the marked drop in ductility have discouraged higher reductions.

One of the companies doing work in that area is La Salle Steel Co., Chicago. For more about La Salle, see Page 69.

**Potential**—A study by Dr. L. J. Ebert, associate professor and executive officer of the department of metallurgical engineering at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, points to these benefits from higher reductions:

- Higher tensile and yield strengths.
- Economy (carbon steels can replace alloy steels in some cases).
- Uniform properties throughout.

- Higher hardness with good machining characteristics.
- Excellent surface finish.
- Close control of finished size.

Those are the same benefits buyers of cold-finished steel have had for a long time. Its untapped potential lies in increased strength and toughness. (Carbon steels have been experimentally worked to 200,000 psi.)

**How Study Differed**—Other attempts have been made to evaluate the results of cold working. Most investigators have been confused by the relationship between the loss of ductility and the increase in strength.

Dr. Ebert used the effect on toughness to correlate the results on tensile strength and ductility. Toughness is a function of both and is often measured by the Charpy impact test.

When the test is done at varying temperatures, the curves shown

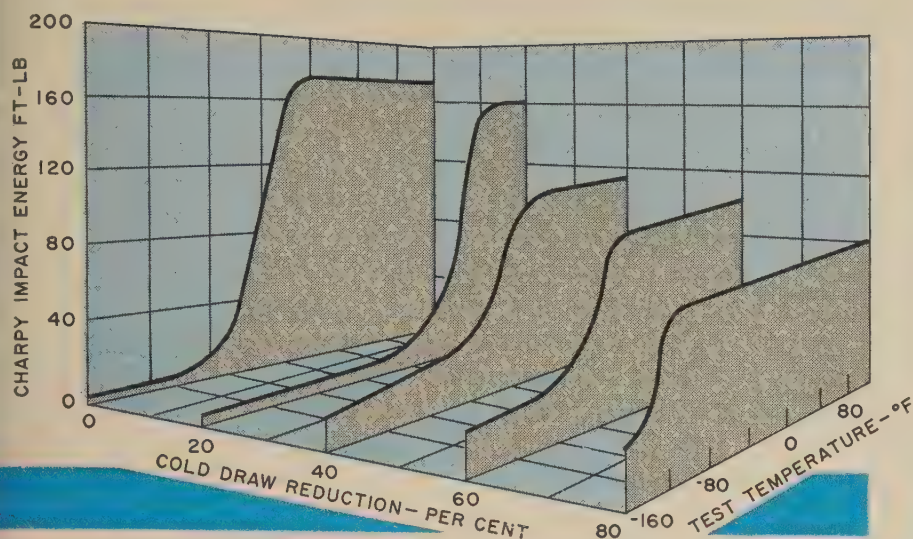
on Page 67 result. The temperature that marks the sharp decrease in the energy absorbed by the material is called the transition temperature. Cold work results in a higher transition temperature (lower toughness) through the middle range.

From that point on, the transition temperature begins to drop, and in some cases goes below the original as higher reductions are taken. At this stage, the material is tougher than it was originally.

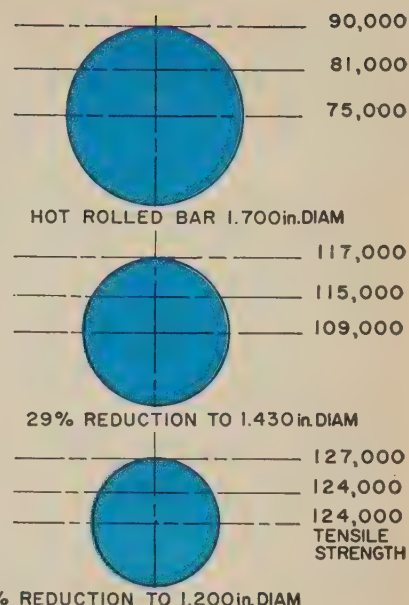
**Experimental Results**—One of the steels studied by Dr. Ebert was AISI C1016, which has a hot-rolled tensile strength of 66,000 psi. A reduction of 20 per cent gave a 27 per cent increase in strength (84,000 psi).

Between 40 and 60 per cent reduction, the strength increases 7.5 per cent; from 60 to 80 per cent reduction, the increase is 13 per cent. The final strength is 115,000





The sharp transitions above are a measure of toughness (which depends upon tensile strength and ductility). Lower test temperatures indicate higher toughness values. Impact test curves on AISI 1016 show how toughness returns when high reductions are used



Cold working improves the strength of the material throughout the cross section. This is not the case in many methods of upgrading

## Metallurgical study reveals potential strength and toughness of carbon steel are practically untapped by producers. Higher cold reductions lead to maximum benefits

psi, an increase of nearly 75 per cent over the hot-rolled material.

The example points out the mid-range where the effects of cold working are not significant in increasing the strength of the material.

**Further Results**—All steels are not capable of such high reductions. AISI C1060 was only worked to 40 per cent reduction in the tests. Strength rose from 107,000 to 143,000 psi, an increase of 40 per cent. Elongation decreased from 22 per cent to 7 per cent.

**Effects of Alloys**—Generally, the cold-worked strength of steel increases and ductility decreases with higher carbon contents.

Alloying elements generally change the hardness and strength of steel in the same direction as carbon, but the effect of carbon is more significant.

Increased carbon content reduces the workability of the ma-

terial and changes the base line characteristics (the original tensile strength is higher and the ductility is lower).

The net effect of reduced workability and higher base line properties is a positive gain. Maximum cold-worked hardness and strength result from using higher carbon or low alloy steels rather than the plain low carbon steels.

**Kind of Work**—Another determining factor in the effect of cold working on steel (particularly on certain properties) is the type of deformation operation by which cold working was done. Different operations use different stress states to produce cold work.

In drawing, the stresses exerted are predominantly tensile. In extrusion, deformation is accomplished by stresses which are chiefly compressive. Stresses utilized in rolling and in cold reducing large tubes by a reciprocating rolling op-

eration (Rockrite process) also are compressive.

**Effect of Working** — Generally, for a given amount of cold work, deformation processes in which the dominant stresses are compressive produce less hardening and strengthening, but remove less ductility than those in which tensile stresses predominate.

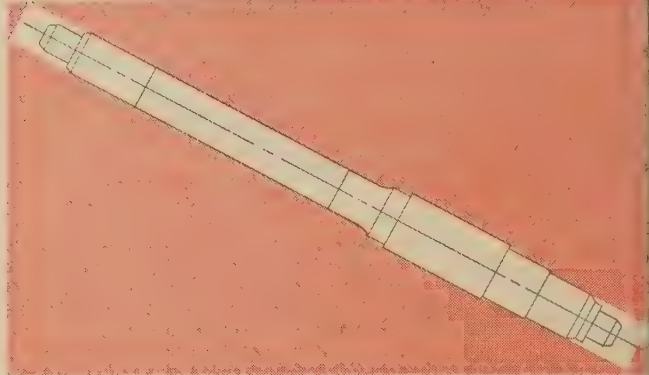
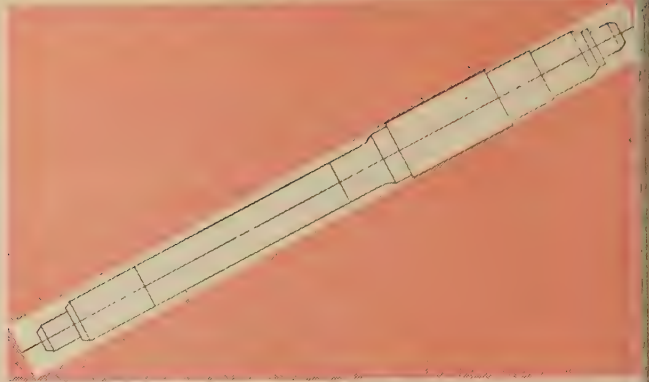
If it were possible to achieve the same tensile strength by tensile and compressive deformation methods, the steel cold reduced by compressive stress would be more ductile, tougher, and have a lower transition temperature.

**Process Restricted**—The use of compressive deformation processes is restricted, however. It is not practical to cold extrude long bars or rods. It isn't economical to cold roll round bars. Drawing is the most common cold reduction method used.

The drawbench, too, has its limitations. With the equipment we have today, it is impossible to cold draw large diameters of medium carbon steel to reductions greater than 25 to 30 per cent in area.

**Residual Stresses** — Cold working introduces residual stress into the material. Stress relieving will enhance final properties. For example, 1060 steel shows an in-





The die forming process developed by Republic Steel Co. forms the blank shown in the lower left. It is used to produce the finished product shown above

Large material savings are realized by using die forming. Blanks approximate the finished shape much better than regular bar stock. Savings of one-third can be realized

crease of 13 per cent in maximum yield strength after stress relieving (113,000, compared with 100,000 psi).

The most widely used process for the reduction of residual stresses is a low temperature anneal. It is effective since it relieves the elastic distortion of the atomic lattices that is caused by cold working.

**Excessive Cold Working** — The undesirable results of overworking steels are generally connected with the loss of ductility. An example of this is cupping (see photo on this page).

Cupping is caused by stresses set up as the outside layers of the bar move faster than the inside ones. It is a function of the soundness of the steel and the amount of reduction.

The upper limit on reductions that are free from this effect is normally considered to be around 50 per cent. However, sound parts have been made with considerably higher reductions.

**A Die-Forming Process**—Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland, has developed a method of cold working

that pushes the dies over the blank. The dies work in from opposite ends to the specified distance, then are stripped off. The operations can be repeated to give further reductions.

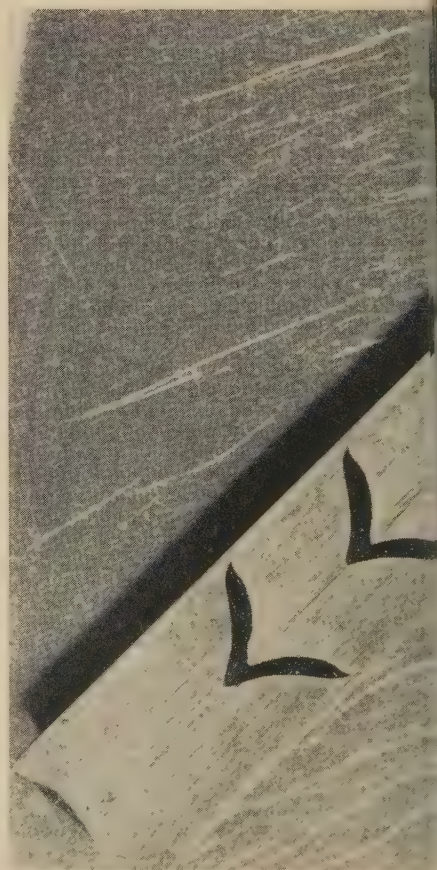
This cold forming produces parts that closely outline finished shape and size. A finish cut and grinding are all that are required to complete the part.

Machining time is reduced by decreasing the amount of material that must be removed. Material savings of 35 per cent can be realized. A rifle barrel blank produced for a gun manufacturer was formed with savings of 45 per cent.

Reductions of 50 per cent are made with no adverse effects. Machinability is improved because of finer grain structure.

The largest potential seen by Republic engineers will be in shafting. Parts that warp during heat treating also lend themselves to the process. It may replace hot forging in some areas.

**Producer's Yardstick** — E. E. Bishop, metallurgical engineer and manager of product development



Cupping is a harmful effect caused by

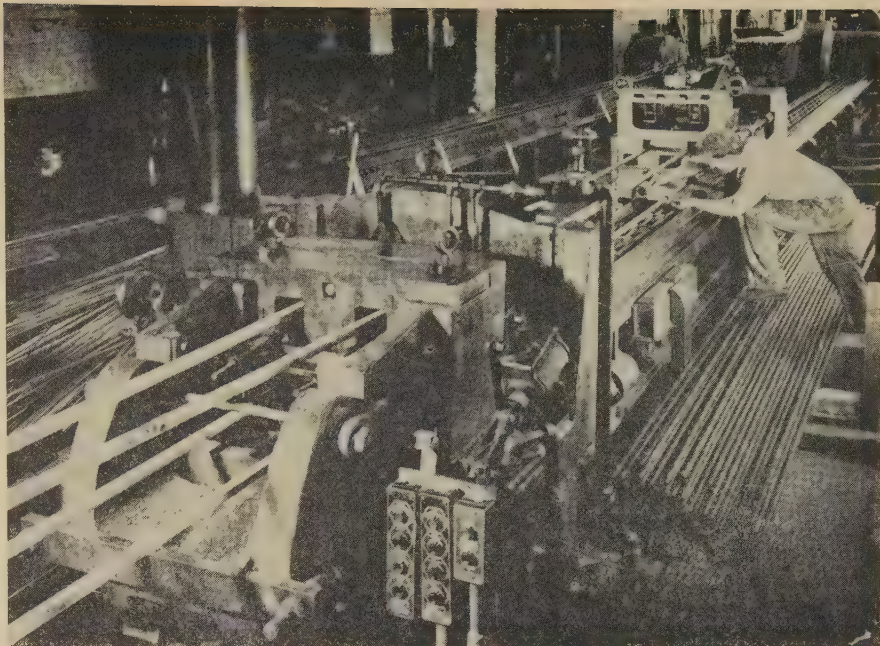


or Wyckoff Steel Co., Ambridge, Pa., uses these factors to determine the magnitude of reduction: Chemical analysis, hot-rolled size, allowance for over-rolling tolerances, and shape or section involved.

Wyckoff does not normally use large reductions. Its engineers believe practical application for this type material is best where the alloy, heat-treated material is not required and where higher strength or hardness is the main physical property needed.

**Another Producer** — Bliss & Laughlin has gone into higher reductions for special customer problems. The firm has produced steels with 145,000 psi tensile and 125,000 psi yield strengths.

G. R. Caskey, chief metallurgist, states that reductions in area reach nearly 45 per cent on some of the small bars. B&L uses roller straightening and controlled heat treating for stress relief.



A typical draw bench at LaSalle Steel Co.

## Cold Working Methods at LaSalle

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"WE believe that partmakers have only begun to realize the advantages in cost savings and quality they can get by using bars made by new cold finishing methods."

That view is expressed by E. S. Nachtman, director of research and development at La Salle Steel Co., Chicago. He illustrates it by referring to three of his company's developments:

- A special drawing die practice (the T-die).
- Controlled copper additions.
- Elevated temperature drawing (E.T.D.)

**The T-Die**—La Salle has developed a new drawing die. It controls the distribution of deformation forces to prevent the introduction of major stresses during forming. Before the use of the die, warping and cracking were always major problems in severely cold worked steel bars.

**Effects of Copper**—Additions of copper improve the quality and machinability of cold-finished steel bars. Laboratory and field tests show a 10 per cent improvement in machinability. Copper also adds resistance to atmospheric corrosion and in many applications improves the wear resistance of the material.

Both developments are applied to

a La Salle product called Stress-proof, a steel bar widely used for production and maintenance applications.

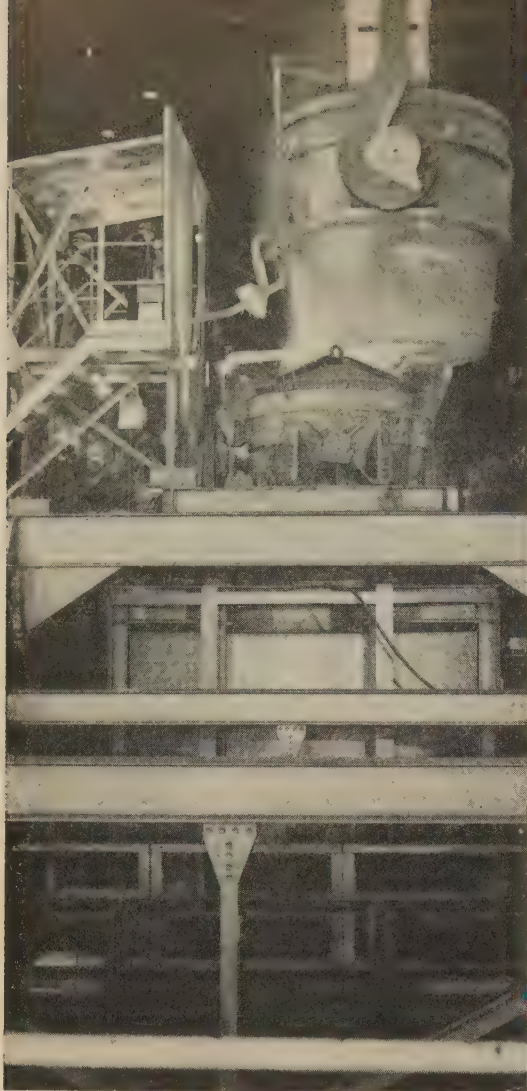
**E.T.D.**—With the elevated temperature process, steel bars are deformed at a point well above room temperature but below 1200° F. This process is used to achieve high strengths previously available only in quenched and tempered materials. Improved machinability and wear resistance, as well as better over-all qualities, result.

La Salle's initial product made by the E.T.D. process is called Fatigue-Proof. Increased strength achieved through these processes eliminates the cost of heat treating and its attendant problems: Discoloration and scaling, warping and cracking, nonuniformity of structure, additional handling and inspection, as well as secondary machining.

**Applications**—These cold finished steel bars are replacing carbon and alloy grades for shafting applications; higher motor speeds are creating higher torques and require greater strengths. They are also being used for gears, studs, critical machined parts, and for pistons in hydraulic and pneumatic equipment.

excessive cold working





## Applications for Degassed Steel

### Forgings

Turbineshafts, propeller shafts, crankshafts, and high stress forgings in all sizes.

### Large Castings

Those requiring minimum porosity because of leakage requirements or machined surface characteristics.

### Armature and Transformer Steels

Degassing permits altered melting practice to produce low hysteresis loss irons and steels.

### Deep Drawing Steels

Improved ductility and reduced inclusions give a superior surface finish.

Vacuum stream degassing unit at U. S. Steel Corp.'s Duquesne Works uses a second ladle so ingots can be poured from multiple furnace heats.

# Vacuum Stream Degassing Takes Hold

Two producers have units in full operation, and more are planned. It's the cheapest process for vacuum refining. Consistent results can be obtained on 250-ton ingots

THREE vacuum methods—induction melting, consumable electrode melting, and stream degassing—are being used to process today's specialized, expensive metals.

Of the three, vacuum stream degassing offers the most economical refinement of tonnage quantities of steel, declares K. C. Taylor, manager of the vacuum degassing department, F. J. Stokes Corp., Philadelphia.

Mr. Taylor talked about the latest developments in stream degassing before the Committee on Vacuum Techniques in Boston and the Second World Metallurgical Congress, ASM, in Chicago. He said it can process 250 tons of metal in a single heat—100 times the largest induction melted, vacuum furnace heat.

Here's how he compared the costs of vacuum refining a pound

of steel in tonnage quantities (without development expenses): Induction melting, about 40 cents; consumable electrode melting, 20 cents; and stream degassing, 1 cent.

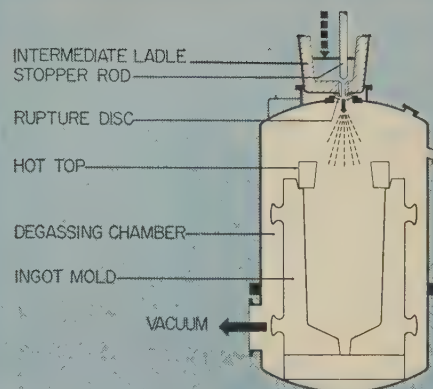
**Operating Units**—Two producers have stream degassing units in operation — Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa., and U. S. Steel Corp., Duquesne, Pa. Installations are being planned by steel companies and producers of large forgings and rolls. Some are under construction.

In vacuum stream degassing, molten metal is poured into a high vacuum which refines it by with-



## Advantages of Vacuum Stream Degassing

1. Elimination of gross gaseous inclusions.
2. Reduction of hydrogen content to 1½ ppm.
3. Reduction of heat treatment cycles.
4. Reduction of oxygen content.
5. Reduction of nitrogen content.
6. Reduction of oxide inclusions.
7. Ten per cent or more increase in ductility.
8. Finer grain size.
9. Reduction of hysteresis losses in electrical steels.



Schematic of typical equipment for degassing into an ingot mold. The same equipment, without modification, can also do ladle degassing, static or "percolation" degassing, or shape casting within the vacuum chamber.

drawing gases and evaporates high vapor pressure contaminants.

Discovered in the late 1800s, the process only recently has come into significance. Interest was fostered by steel forging manufacturers who sought relief from flaking or the microcracks caused by excessive hydrogen content of an alloy steel.

**Analysis**—Forging steels (4300 series is an example) had a hydrogen content as-poured of 3 to 8 ppm. Considerable heat treatment was necessary to reduce hydrogen and avoid the development of cracks, especially in large cross sections.

If the steels could be poured into ingots at a hydrogen level of 1.5 ppm, all hazard of flaking would be gone.

**Operation**—In a typical stream degassing installation with a capacity of 100 to 120 tons, the degassing chamber base section, with vacuum pumping port, is permanently installed in the pit of the melt shop. The complete mold assembly is placed in this base.

About 30 minutes before the scheduled pour, the bell section is positioned over the mold. The chamber is sealed with an aluminum membrane or rupture disc over the pouring opening. The chamber is evacuated by multiple stage steam jets in a 15 to 20

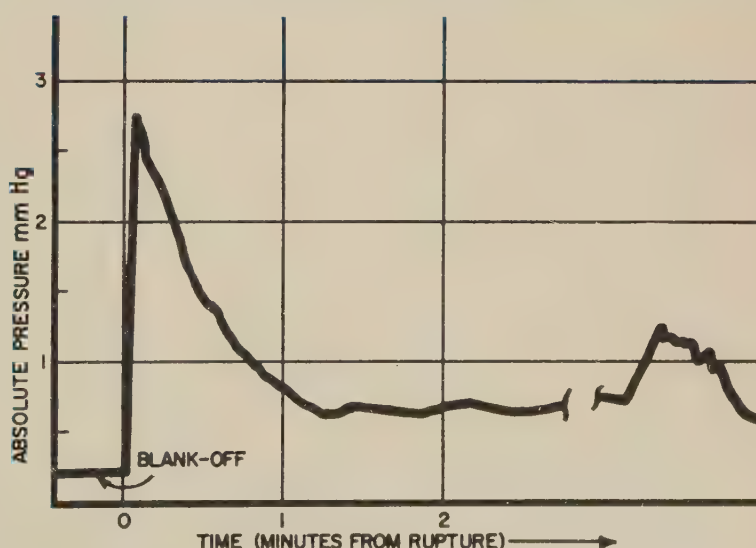
minute period to the system blank-off pressure, which is as low as 10 microns.

**Degassing**—The molten steel can be carried to the chamber by a single ladle; or a second, smaller ladle can be inserted between the furnace ladle and chamber as a poring box. The second ladle per-

mits the use of multiple furnace heats.

Degassing is begun once a ferrostatic seal or head is formed about the ladle nozzle. The stopper rod is lifted; the molten steel melts the rupture disc; and the stream of metal diverges into a spray.

**Effect of Vacuum**—Entering the



Typical vacuum levels in production stream degassing. Initial peak is gas flashed from mold and nozzle surfaces by the metal stream. Final peak is caused by water vapor from the refractory hot top



## DEGASSING . . .

evacuated chamber, the tight, narrow metal stream from the ladle nozzle is torn apart by the gas being released and reaches several feet in diameter.

The falling metal takes various forms; it can best be considered as irregular, luminous drops or peas, some of them ranging to stringers. It is the exposure of such large surface areas to the vacuum that makes refinement possible.

As long as the stopper rod seal is maintained, metal flow can be controlled. After completing the pour, the stopper rod is closed as the furnace slag is about to enter the chamber.

The vacuum can be maintained, or the vacuum break valve opened, the unit disassembled and the ingot permitted to solidify.

**Steam Ejector**—The design and layout of the steam ejector is highly important. Normally, a four or five stage ejector is used; sometimes a six-stage unit is required. Ejector designs are based on metal pouring rate (up to 10 tons a minute), alloy composition, mold and ladle sizes, refractory schedules, degassing chamber volume, and process applications. A pumping capacity of 60,000 cfm equivalent at 600 microns could be considered typical.

Utility costs for such a unit are low, considering the work done. (It's less than \$15 per major heat.)

**Vacuum Levels**—The graph on Page 71 shows typical vacuum levels being obtained on degassing chambers. The analysis of the gas removed varies with the alloy processed. Typical analysis: 40 per cent carbon monoxide, 30 per cent nitrogen, and 30 per cent hydrogen.

Steel companies have released little information on the physical properties of degassed steels.

Tonnage production heats have been poured with as low as 100 microns sustained vacuum. The original objective of 1.5 ppm maximum hydrogen content has been sustained consistently, even on the 250-ton ingots.



The flanged half bearing (left) is for a blooming mill. Two powdered metal ends and center section are silver soldered. Bearing (right) is made of four pieces, 2 x 3 x 12 in.

## Bigger Powdered Bearings

You can overcome their size limitations by joining components with silver solder. The method can be used on any bearing or part, it is claimed. Here are two examples

THE BEARINGS in the above illustration are made by joining several sections of powdered metal with silver solder.

It's a new way to solve the problem of making outsized, self-lubricating bearings, says the fabricator, Apex Bearings Co., Hudson, Ohio. The method can be used on any bearing or part made of powdered metal.

**Need** — The Pittsburgh - Des Moines Co., Neville Island, Pa., needed a large wear plate for a supersonic wind tunnel being built for a U. S. Air Force research center. The largest available was 2 x 3 x 12 in. Joining four with silver solder formed a bearing plate which was large enough—2 x 12 x 12 in. The firm worked with the Amplex Div., Chrysler Corp., Detroit, during construction.

The Air Force wind tunnel uses

36 of the wear plates. They must withstand loads up to 14,000 psi. The bearings can't be lubricated after installation.

Soldering, drilling, and counter-boring do not affect the lubricating properties of the sintered metal.

**Other Uses**—The firm has built similar bearings for use in rolling mills. The one shown on the left will be installed in a blooming mill. It is 10 in. long. Flanges are  $\frac{3}{4}$  x 9 in. Inside diameter of the body is  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in.; its outside diameter is  $5\frac{3}{4}$  in.

Such bearings have identical halves; each is made from three pieces joined by silver solder.

Powdered metal bearings are expected to outlast other types. They retain their lubricating qualities under extremes of heat and pressure. Maintenance is greatly reduced.

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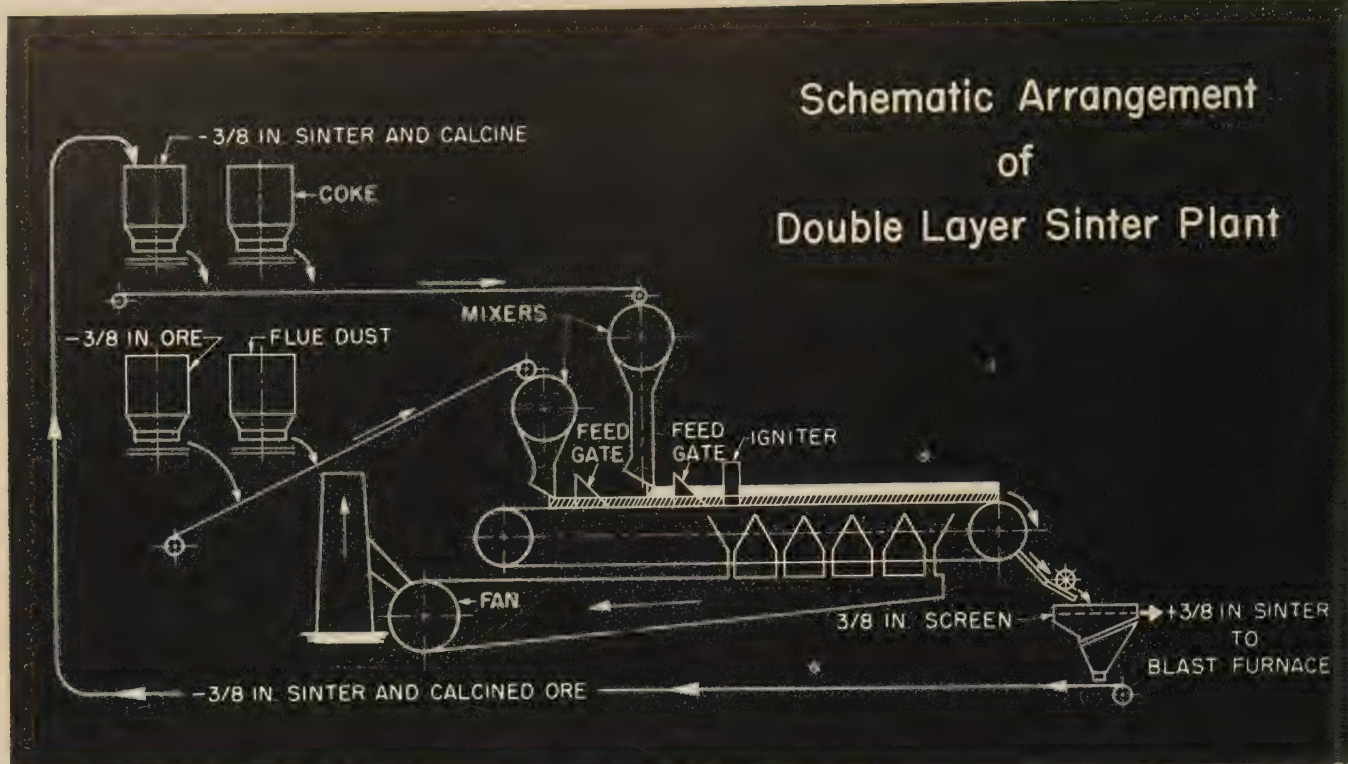
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## French Get Two-Layer Sinter Plant

Twice-through process calcines and sinters in separate steps. Advantages are claimed in fuel economy, low coke breeze consumption, and stronger sinter

A SINTERING PLANT which separates calcining and sintering processes in the same strand is planned by a British firm. Huntington Heberlein & Co. Ltd. will construct the plant in the Lorraine district of France for use with French ores.

The process superimposes two layers on the strand. The top layer forms a true sinter; the bottom layer is for calcining only. Calcined material is returned to the upper layer, so that most feed material makes two circuits.

**Bottom Layer**—Calcining is done by hot gases drawn down through

the sintering bed, plus the addition of a small proportion of fuel. Gases drawn down from the upper layer are not hot enough to complete the calcining of the ore without the addition of some solid fuel in the calcining layer—in most cases carbon from the uprising flue dust.

The system superficially resembles other two-layer processes in which each layer has a different carbon content. The important difference is that in the Huntington Heberlein process each layer has a distinct and separate function.

**Top Layer**—No raw ore is added to the upper layer. It consists of returned calcined material from the lower layer plus returned sinter fines arising from sintering of the upper layer.

The two materials intermingle at the end of the machine and return to the feed bins after passing through a screen. The diagram above shows the circuit of materials through the process.

**Advantages** — The process was described at the recent International Symposium on Sintering by R. F. Jennings of Huntington Heberlein. He stated that there is a considerable economy in total heat requirements, since the waste gases from the sintering process and the sinter cooling are both fully used in calcining.

Sintering air is preheated by burning blast furnace gas over the



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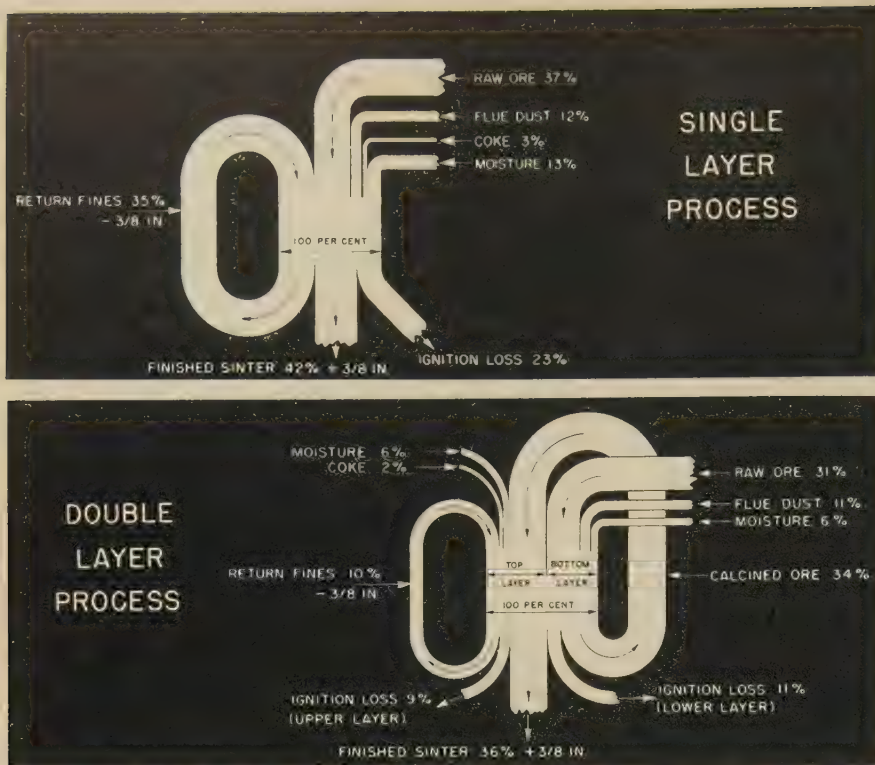
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Materials balance in double and single layer sintering processes

entire sinter bed. This reduces coke breeze consumption. Lower waste gas temperatures give a saving in grate life without the use of a special protective hearth layer.

Most of the calcining takes place after sintering in the upper layer of the bed has been completed, and this gives time to cool the finished sinter in the upper layer so that a separate sinter cooler is no longer required. The calcined ores from the lower layer may be cooled by water quenching without harm.

Separation of the calcining process gives a stronger sinter and substantially reduces the amount of the return fines used in the true sintering process. When producing blast furnace sinter (+ 3/4-in. square mesh) the over-all proportion of the return fines in the bed is reduced from 35.3 per cent in the conventional sintering process to 10.3 per cent.

**Limitations**—For a given size of machine the output of finished sinter per square foot is bound to be lower since the calcining process is added after the normal sintering process and proceeds at a somewhat slower pace. Output is reduced in ratio to the yield from the total mix. This disadvantage, however,

is balanced by the elimination of a separate cooler, which means that the capital cost of the plant is about the same or may be even lower than that of conventional plants.

Cooling and calcining take place at high suction and this increases the total fan power needed. This is offset by the lower temperature at which the sintering fan operates.

**Moisture**—The ore in the lower bed after calcining must be re-wetted for permeability control before it can be used in the upper sintering layer. A small amount of extra heat is required to dry off moisture.

The lower temperature of the waste gases may impose some difficulties in dust removal (with the usual de-dusting system it is necessary to maintain the waste gases above the dew point). Reducing the temperature well below the dew point by wet washing the gases would have several important advantages. These two stand out:

1. Power consumption of the fan would be reduced.
2. Water and sulfur would be recovered from the process instead of being dissipated with the stack gases.

## Welded Tubes Gain

Hydraulic jacking and pulling equipment among new uses for carbon steel type

THE INCREASING use of welded steel tubing is illustrated by Terpleton, Kenly & Co., Broadview, Ill. Its redesigned line of standard hydraulic jacks and hand pumps uses 1020 carbon steel.

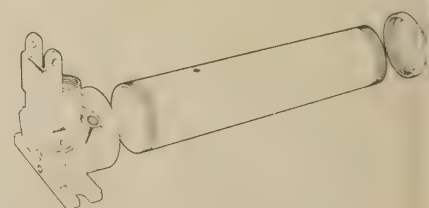
**Advantages**—The basic new design meets rated weight lifting capacities up to 100 tons, plus a per cent safety overload. Welded steel tubing is economical since uniformity of its dimensions and thickness eliminates machining.

Reservoir tubes used in the eight models of the company's jacks (3 to 100 ton capacity) are now made of 2 3/4-in. OD welded tubing with a 0.120-in. wall. Two models of hand pumps use reservoir tubes made of 3 and 4 in. OD tubing with wall of 0.120 in.

**Reasons**—The Formed Steel Tube Institute, Cleveland, says the use of this tubing in hydraulic jacking and pulling equipment is increasing because of its strength-to-weight advantages and production savings.

The institute says design engineers working with hydraulic jacking equipment have been confronted with the problem of providing lightweight, portable equipment with a strong hydraulic mechanism to withstand intense pressures.

The master cylinders, reservoir cylinders, and other components of hydraulic equipment require uniformity in concentricity and close dimensional tolerances—usually obtained by machining and honing. Welded steel tubing, says the institute, provides these requirements along with availability in exact sizes and gages, relatively low cost, and minimized surface refinishing requirements that save production operations.



Lightweight welded tubing used in this hydraulic jack cylinder withstands the pressure of 100-ton lifting capacities



# Too Big a Bite

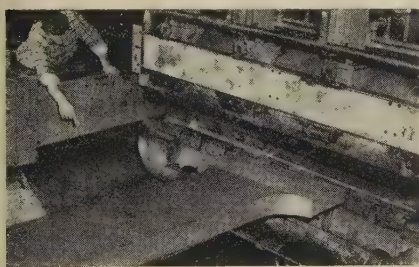
Making plate wider and thinner at the ends solved problem of small gripping jaws

ENGINEERS at Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp.'s Trentwood rolling mill, Spokane, Wash., recently fitted an aluminum plate 4½-in. thick into a plate stretcher tooled for a maximum opening of 3 in.

They did it by fishtailing the ends of the material.

The job was done for Convair, a division of General Dynamics Corp., Ft. Worth, Tex. The firm needed a stress relieved, stretched section of 2014-alloy plate for Convair's B-58.

Sequence — After rolling, the plate (4½ in. thick, 30 in. wide, 200 in. long) was sent to General Machinery Co., Spokane. Ends were sawed square and taper-milled on a horizontal boring mill equipped with tooling to remove metal at both ends, forming wedges about 18 in. deep.

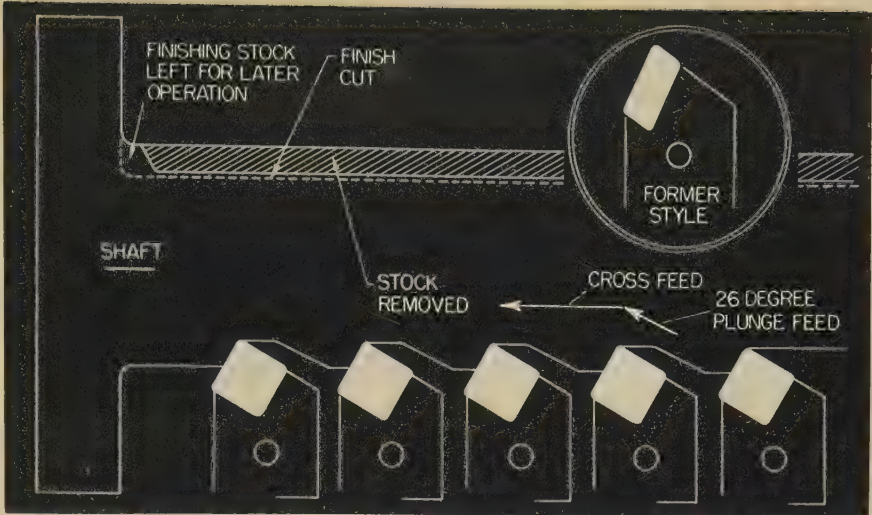


FISHTAIL  
... whips size problem

A half-circle was milled into each edge of the plate at the point where the taper started. Metal between the half-circles was sawed lengthwise, leaving the plate 19 in. wide between fishtailed ends.

Sawing was done by mounting the plate between centers on a lathe carriage with the saw blade parallel to the floor. Clearance for the saw was provided by wooden wedges which were driven as the saw progressed.

The Trentwood plant's stretcher is one of the largest in service. Kaiser Aluminum's new rolling mill at Ravenswood, W. Va., will be equipped to stretch plates up to 6 in. thick and 12 ft wide. They will be used for aircraft wing panels and similar structures.



Here's the setup that saves \$7200 a year, say engineers at Wesson Co., Detroit. Carbide squares can be turned, presenting four cutting edges successively

## Change Cuts Carbide Cost

TURNING a tractor axle at Wesson Co., Detroit, used to cost \$2 per shaft for tools.

Redesigning to five tools cut that to 7 cents.

Here's the approach tool engineers used:

Breakdown — Original tooling was a brazed carbide. Equipment: A 75-hp lathe.

Engineers noted that there was too much carbide breakage, even for the grade used. Grinding costs were too high because of frequent tool changes and excessive setup time.

They also suspected that production per tool was low.

The old, narrow range carbide was replaced by a general purpose cutting grade. It was tougher and broke less frequently.

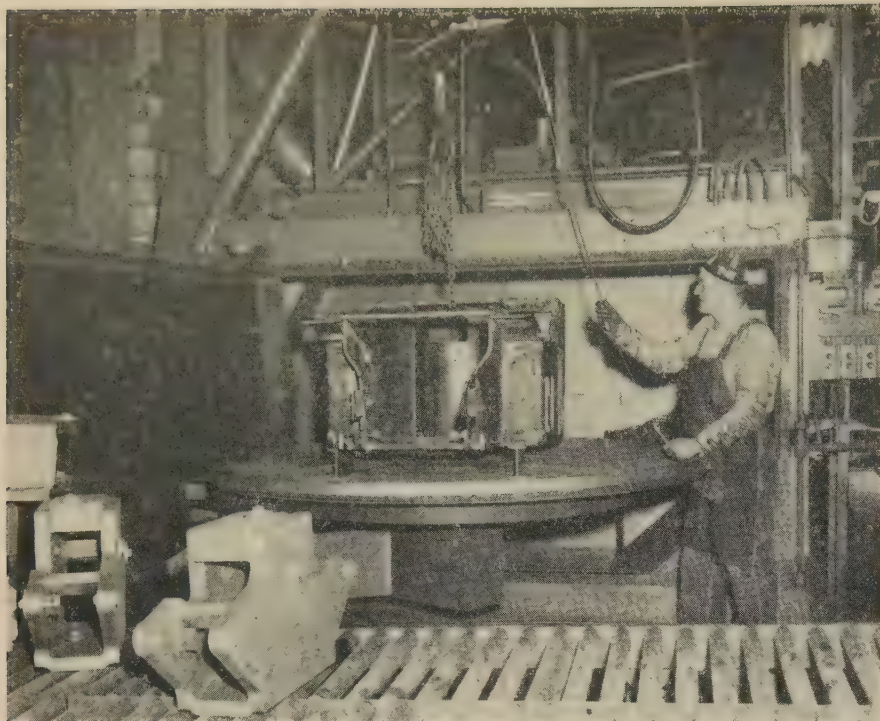
The change made possible a switch to indexing type carbide inserts (see illustration). Square instead of rectangular shapes doubles the number of edges per grind. Indexing cuts setup and downtime after grinds. The square shapes also are standard which helped cut the cost.

Pieces per cutting edge rose from 15 to 40. Production is almost double per machine hour.

The table below compares the old method and the new:

	Before	After
Cutting speed, sfpm	275	275
Feed per revolution (in.)	0.017	0.017
Depth of cut, max (in.)	5/8	5/8
Machining time, minutes	6½	6½
Tool change, minutes	5	5
Production per hour	2½	5
Pieces per tool change	15	40
Pieces per grind	30	320
Pieces per tool insert	120	2560
Grinding cost per tool	\$27.00	\$12.00
Initial tool cost	\$79.77	\$55.28
Total cost per piece	\$2.09	\$0.066
Annual savings per machine		\$7200.00





This Hyster Co. weldment is being loaded on a swing table which carries it into blast cabinet. The firm says savings average about 50 per cent, compared with hand cleaning



Clark Equipment Co., Benton Harbor, Mich., cleans its parts prior to welding. Before and after pictures (above) show effectiveness

# Abrasive Blast Cleans Weldments

It eliminates time-consuming hand operations. Here are reports from several manufacturers who tell how the process cuts their costs and improves quality

CLEANING weldments with a blast of abrasives is fast, versatile, and inexpensive, says the Hyster Co., Danville, Ill. It makes industrial lift trucks and material handling machinery.

The firm cleans a welded frame for a lift truck in 3½ minutes with a Wheelabrator machine. The job formerly took 90 minutes of hand wire brushing.

Another example: Frank G. Hough Co., Libertyville, Ill., makes a complex weldment for its tractor shovel. It used to take 3 to 4 hours to clean one. That time was cut to 10 minutes with blast clean-

ing, and difficult corners are cleaner.

**Requisites**—Solving these problems improves weldments: Rust and scale on parts to be welded (they interfere with the making of sound welds); and spatter, flux, and oxides on finished weldments (they spoil finished surfaces).

**Selection** — Another machine made by Wheelabrator Corp., Mishawaka, Ind., the Tumblast, is equipped with automatic loaders. They are used for parts that can withstand a little tumbling action. They work best with big quantities of small and medium parts.

Parts are exposed to a blast of abrasive particles from several units inside the chamber. Parts may be tumbled, spun on a hanger, revolved on a worktable, moved by a skew-dished roll, rubber conveyor belt, or special work carriage. The handling system takes the place of an operator.

**Construction** — An airless blast unit is a bladed wheel which throws a metallic abrasive such as steel shot or grit in one direction. It handles as much as ½ ton of shot each minute.

The blast is said to penetrate the remote corners of complicated assemblies.

Here are other advantages claimed for the process:

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Major improvement in Wolverine Tube's packaging program is in-process inspection which permits packing to be done at last manufacturing operation. Two men in foreground inspect finned tubes before placing them in shipping container

# Making Packages Better, Cheaper

Tubing manufacturer keeps costs down by engineering the package as well as the product. Better customer service and increased sales are added benefits

MANUFACTURERS of intermediate or semifinished products often regard packaging as a necessary evil that increases overhead but adds no value.

Not so at the Wolverine Tube Div. of Calumet & Hecla Inc., Detroit. Its planned program has kept down the cost of packaging copper, brass, and other types of tubing. Packaging improvements have enabled it to provide better customer service, and, in some cases, have increased sales.

**Approaches** — Several methods were tried to reduce packaging costs. The most obvious one was to increase the weight per package. An effort still is being made to get customers to accept heavier unit loads. Sizable savings have been realized because tare shipments have been reduced as much as 50 per cent.

Other steps include use of less expensive packaging materials without sacrifice in product protection; reduction in the labor cost

of making containers; outside purchase of containers; and elimination of the container.

**Cheaper Packing** — Ten years ago, Wolverine Tube packaged hard copper water tubing and brass pipe in solid wood boxes of 300-lb capacity. Costs were cut considerably when the division switched to paper tubes and fiberboard boxes. Finally, packaging was eliminated; the material is shipped in 100-lb bundles. (A few customers still specify containers.)

Commercial stock in coils was packaged in wirebound veneer crates which weighed about 250 lb loaded. When customers started to use fork trucks, the division switched to palletized crates weighing up to 1500 lb. They were made at the mill until a few years ago





Coiled tubing is packaged in individual, reel-type cartons that provide maximum convenience in use and offer distinct product identification

By J. L. HADDOCK

Traffic Manager  
Wolverine Tube Div.  
Calumet & Hecla Inc.  
Detroit

Management found that wirebound crates and heavy paper containers could be purchased at substantial savings in material and labor.

Recently, paper drums were introduced to take the place of small wirebound crates for customers unable to handle heavy pallets. They cost about the same as crates, but the labor required to assemble them has been eliminated.

**More Examples** — Commercial straight stock in short lengths and manufactured parts were once packaged in small wooden boxes. They were replaced by large palletized containers made at the mill. Finally, fabrication costs were eliminated by buying them from suppliers.

Commercial straight stock in long lengths was packed in wooden boxes (capacity of each, 300 lb.) Less expensive fiberboard boxes are now used for 300-lb loads. Customers who can accept heavier packages get wooden boxes with capacities of 1000 lb.

**Construction Savings**—Container construction has changed. Lumber was purchased in random lengths up to 20 ft. A study showed that 20 ft tubing was one of the most common lengths or-

dered. Part of the lumber now is ordered in exact lengths (20 ft 4 in.) to accommodate the 20 ft tubes.

When 100-lb capacity wooden boxes were first used, they were made with double sides using 6/4 resaw lumber. Now they are made with only one thickness of lumber. Experience indicated that most customers who accept the heavy boxes unload by crane and double sides are not necessary since the boxes receive little abuse.

**Mechanization**—The cost of box construction was also reduced by installation of a nailing machine to replace many hand operations. Hand nailing is still required for nonstandard containers and special types of skid boxes.

The cost of applying steel strapping has been cut by a change to semiautomatic banding and weighing in a continuous operation on a roller conveyor.

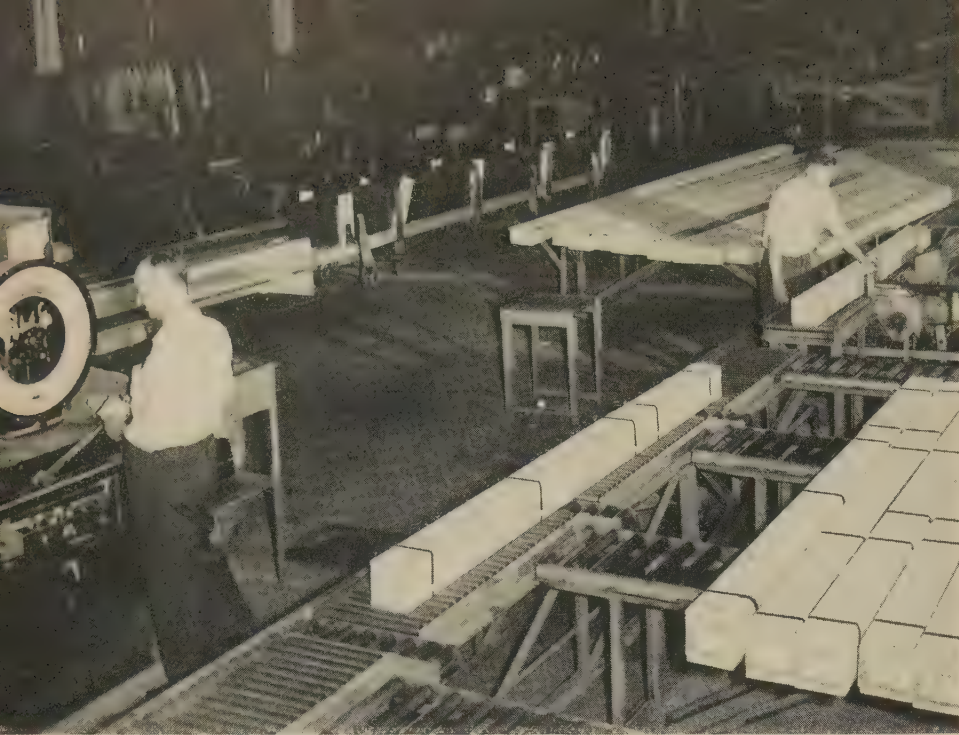
**Inspection Move**—A change in the inspection program has been a major step. All products used to be delivered to the inspection department for final inspection and packing.

The new method of in-process inspection permits the packing to be done at the site of the last manufacturing station—often by the man who does that operation. It gives inspectors more time to do



Some commercial coiled stock is packed in paper drums purchased outside. Package cost is same as crates, but labor to assemble crates is eliminated





Cost of applying steel strapping has been cut by a change to semiautomatic banding and weighing in a continuous operation on a roller conveyor

their main job, and it cuts handling operations.

**Sales Tool** — Coiled tubes for water, refrigerator, and automotive applications used to be packed in 250-lb capacity wirebound crates. They were replaced by individual and master cartons. Individual cartons hold 2 to 4 lb,

master cartons hold 40 to 50 lb.

Corrugated cardboard cartons offer no savings over the veneer crates, but the system is much more convenient to the customer. They stimulated an increase in sales.

A reel-type carton was developed to replace the conventional square

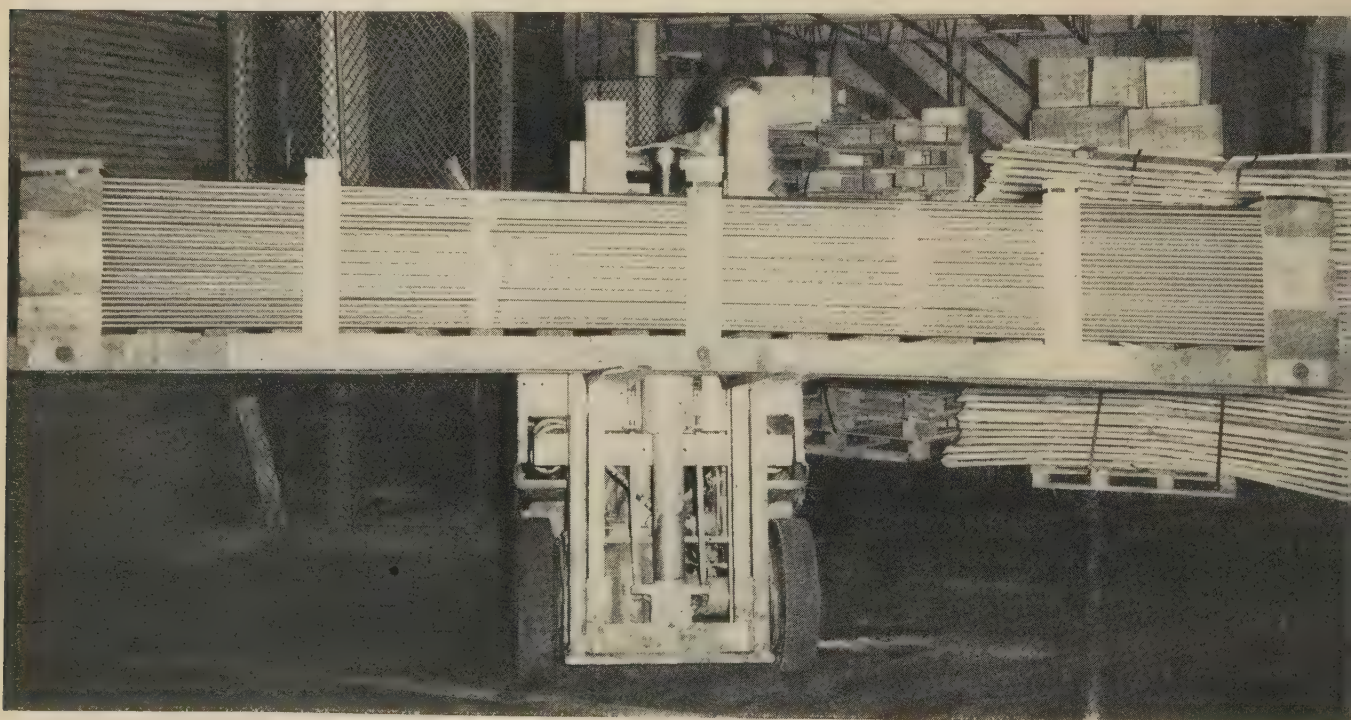
one used for the individual container. It provides even more convenience in product use and offers distinct identification for a "standard" item such as tubing.

**Customer Service**—For one air conditioner manufacturer, the company developed a 3000-lb capacity skid for handling finned tubing. The skidded shipment is delivered to production, and the tubing is fed directly to the machine; the skid acts as the customer's rack. When it is empty, it's returned to the plant for re-use.

Increasing weight per package solved a serious production problem for a refrigerator manufacturer. Stock had to be handled by overhead crane, and the unit required all machines to be shut down while the crane was delivering stock to a machine.

The old package weighed 500 lb, enough stock for one-third of a shift. A new package was developed to hold enough material to feed the machines for a full shift.

For packaging long, U-bend tubes used in heat exchangers, a container of 6000-lb capacity was developed. A complete set of heat exchanger or condenser bundles can be packed in one container in reverse order, so the bundles can be fed directly into the equipment from the package.



Skid with 3000-lb capacity for finned tubes was developed for air conditioner manufacturer. Skid is used as a rack; tubes are fed directly to machines



## Springs Mounts Simplify Installation of Heavy Equipment

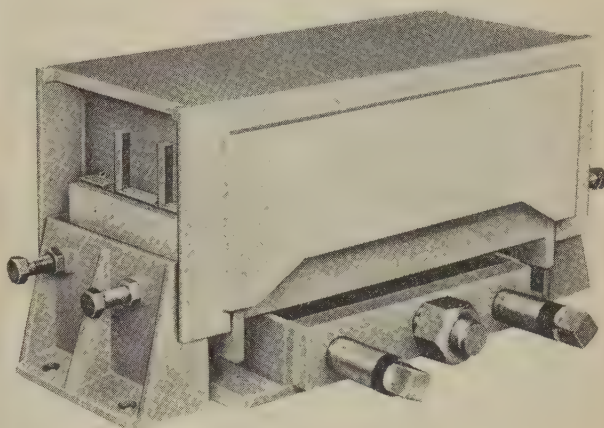
Type SW mounting is a vibration, shock, and noise isolator. It comes in seven load-carrying capacities ranging from 38,000 to 125,000 lb each.

The mounts are adjusted and leveled from the side. Shims are not needed.

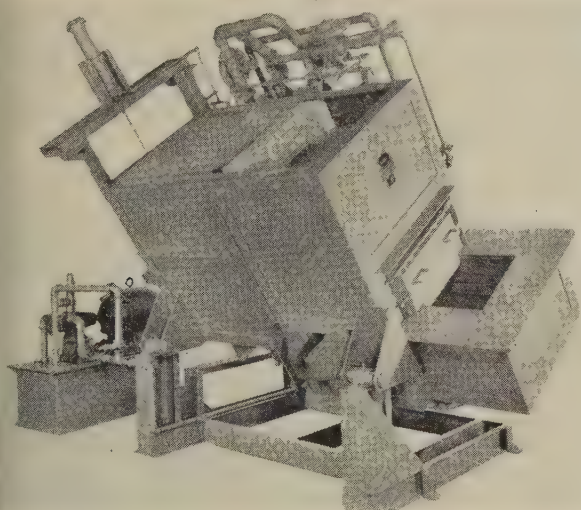
The clean, flat top of the mount permits the unit to be placed in any position under a machine base, regardless of the availability, location, or size of foundation bolt holes. Equipment weighing up to 1,000,000 lb can be installed on the mounts.

The mountings consist of welded steel housings and high carbon steel helical springs.

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## Tilting Furnaces Can Melt up to 2000 lb an Hour



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The furnaces are used for pouring large sand castings or for transferring molten metal to a holding furnace or a large ladle.

There is no gassing or overheating of metal because cold metal is never charged into the dry hearth.

All moisture is driven off while the metal is melting on the dry hearth. Moisture mixes with the products of combustion and leaves the furnace through the flue.

Melting rate and pouring temperature are controlled closely; each chamber has its own burner system. Write: Combustion Div., Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co., Rockford, Ill. Phone: 8-3751

## Transfer Machine Drills, Spotfaces, Reams, Taps, and Mills

This ten-station machine processes 64 automotive crankshafts an hour.

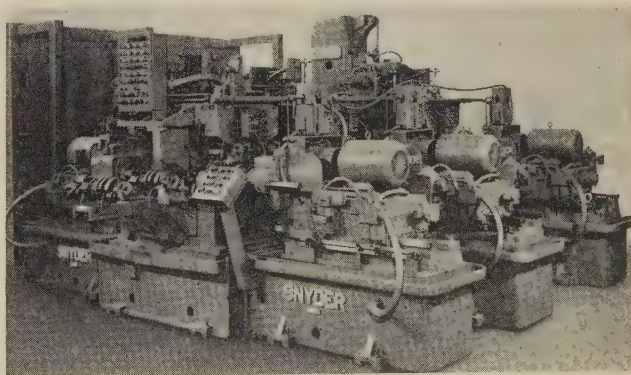
The machine is made up of three segmented machining units connected by a transfer mechanism. This design makes it easy to get at the tools and simplifies alterations when design changes are made.

Holes in the crankshaft are blown out and inspected automatically by probe-type gaging fingers. Holes are again blown out automatically after they are tapped.

Machining operations are performed by standard hydraulic-powered units which have hardened and ground ways. Four self-contained units and two way-type units are used in the machine.

A standard tapping unit having individual lead-screw drives is mounted on one end of the way-type units.

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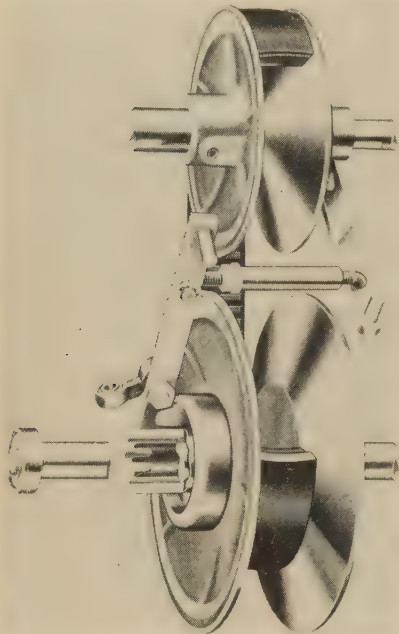
throughout the machine. Write: Snyder Tool & Engineering Co., 3400 E. Lafayette, Detroit 7, Mich. Phone: Lorain 7-0123



## Variable Speed Drive

The W line of mechanical drives provides infinitely variable speeds from 4600 to 1.2 rpm in speed variations of 2:1 to 10:1.

Speed variation is accomplished by a ribbed V-belt and a dual variable pitch pulley mounted on parallel shafts.



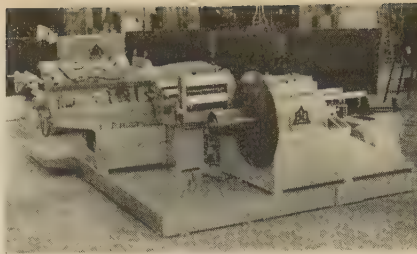
The units are available in integral or separate motor construction. *Write:* Sterling Electric Motors Inc., 5401 Telegraph Rd., Los Angeles 22, Calif. *Phone:* Raymond 3-6211

## Strip Splicing Mill

Any ferrous or nonferrous material from 8 to 20 in. wide and from 0.060 to 0.100 in. thick can be handled by this machine. It consists of a loader, an uncoiler, a roller leveler with pinch rolls, a double up-cut shear, a wire brush unit, a welding station, and a recoiler with automatic pushoff. All units are mounted on a common base, 13 x 28 ft.

The machine weighs about 65,000 lb, and it can be broken down to sizes which permit trucking.

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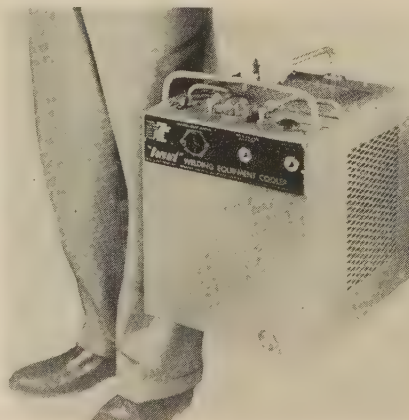
The rectifiers will operate continuously at 100 per cent load, for 2 hours at 125 per cent load, and for 1 minute at 200 per cent load.

Conversion efficiency at full load is about 94 per cent. *Write:* General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. *Phone:* Franklin 4-2211

## Welding Cooler

This welding equipment cooler solves the heat removing problem which has restricted full utilization of the gas-shielded arc welding process.

The cooler also provides an efficient source of coolant for spot-welding dies, resistance welding rollers, induction heating coils, automatic welding equipment, and copper chill bars.



A pump draws the coolant from a 9-quart reservoir and circulates it through the welding equipment to absorb heat. Upon returning to the cooler, the liquid is passed through a three-stage radiating system.

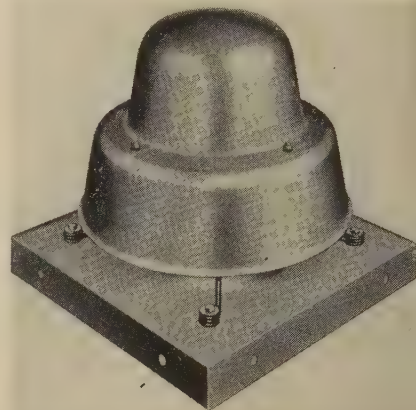
A four-bladed, pressure type fan packs a compression chamber with air which can escape only through the radiating units.

The cooler has a maximum calorific rating of 250 Btu a minute at a room temperature of 75° F. Maximum flow rate of coolant is 1.5 quarts a minute. *Write:* Bernard Welding Equipment Co., 10233 South Ave. N, Chicago 17, Ill. *Phone:* Regent 4-1024

## Roof Ventilators

These centrifugal roof ventilators come in direct-drive and belt-drive sizes.

Spun aluminum units have an unobtrusive roof-hugging appearance. Units with 7, 9, 10, 12, and 13 in. diameter centrifugal fan wheels (backwardly inclined) have direct drives. Air volume ranges from 180 to 2330 cfm.



Air volumes from 900 to 6590 cfm are provided by fans from 15 to 22 in. in diameter.

Larger units are built of steel. These belt-driven models have 24, 27, 30, 33, 36, and 40 in. diameters. Air volume ranges from 2170 to 23,427 cfm. *Write:* Trane Co., La Crosse, Wis. *Phone:* 2-8000

## Sintering Muffles

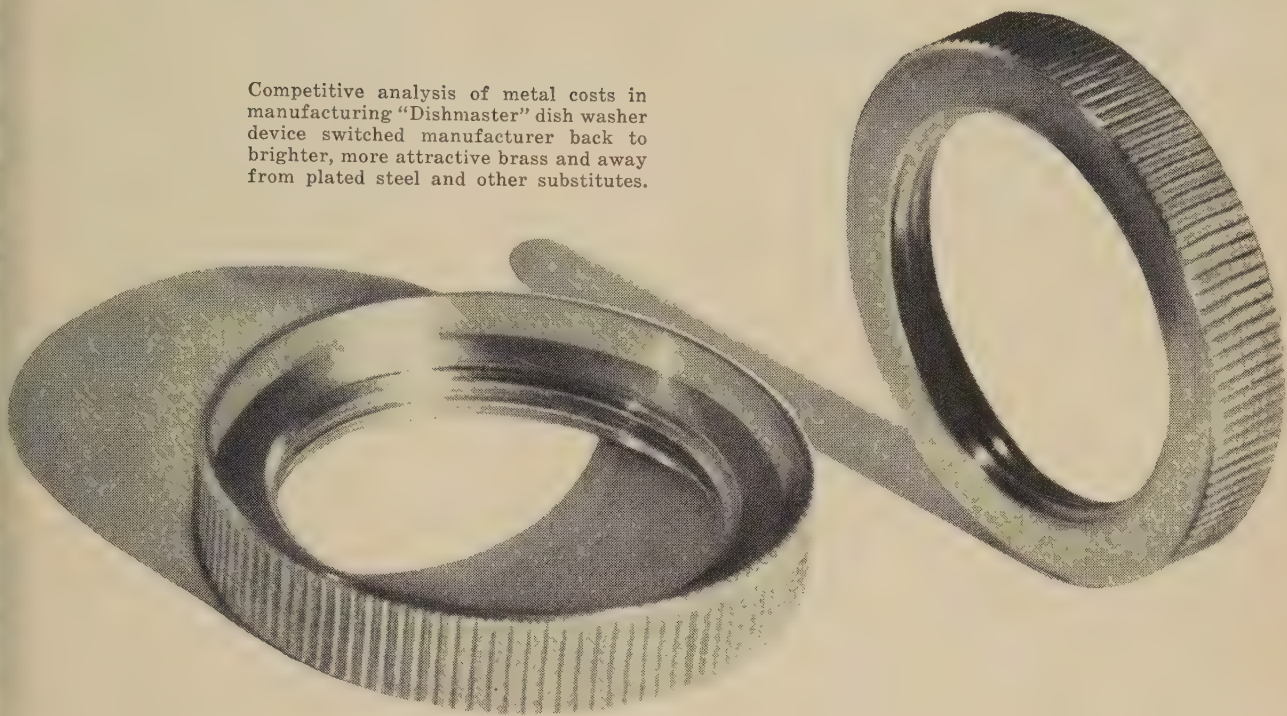
Muffles made of Inconel, Incoloy, and 330 stainless steel withstand high temperatures and strong atmospheric conditions.

Thicknesses are 1/4 in. and higher. Muffles have oversize crown

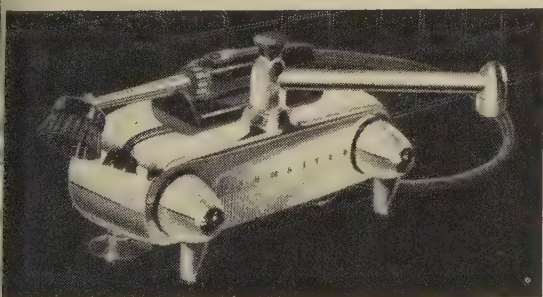


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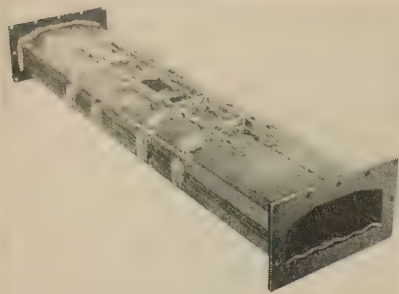
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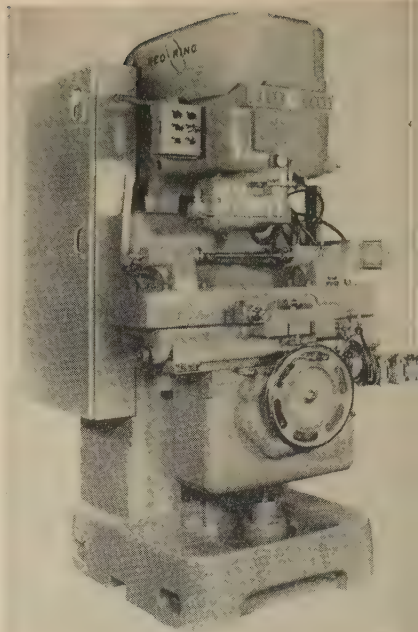
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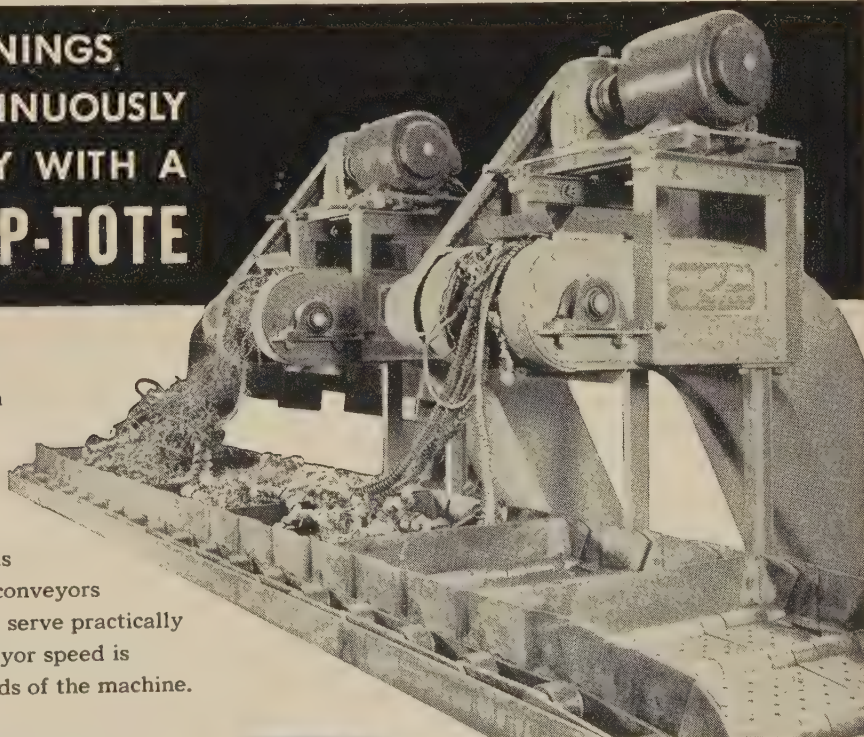
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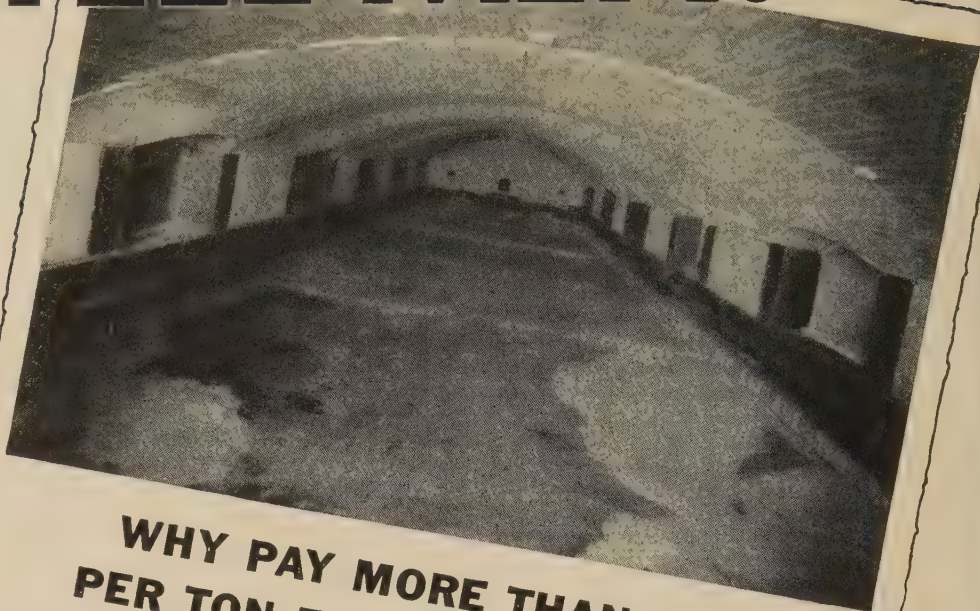


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**STEEL** and metalworking operations are tapering off as the holidays near. Ingot operations slipped another 1.5 points last week to 67.5 per cent—equal to the production of 1,725,000 net tons weekly, the smallest output since October, 1954, except for holiday and strike periods.

**SLOWER RECOVERY**—"Guesstimates" place holiday week ingot operations below 60 per cent, and postholiday activity is not likely to be as substantial as it has been in recent years. Reason: The production sag is more than seasonal.

**GOOD SHOWING**—Only a disappointing fourth quarter prevented the industry from racking up record-breaking production this year. Output through October set a ten-month high at 96,899,075 net tons. But the slump in the closing two months will bring the annual total to an estimated 113 million tons—still the third best year on record.

**SLOW FIRST HALF**—Sluggish markets are anticipated in the first half of 1958. Buyers, holding minimum stocks, will depend on prompt mill shipments. Around midyear an upturn in activity is predicted. Total 1958 output should be no more than 5 per cent under the 113 million tons estimated for 1957, or around 107 million tons.

**JANUARY RISE**—Production may go up next month, but enlarged capacity is likely to hold down operations percentagewise. Rated capacity at the start of 1958 is expected to top 141 million tons, 7 million more than the figure at the beginning of 1957.

**HEAVY SHIPMENTS**—Consumption during 1957 is expected to exceed mill shipments substantially, resulting in a reduction of consumers' stocks. Mill deliveries will also be heavy. Shipments in the first ten months came to 68,755,943 tons, nearly 400,000 more than the total for the like 1956 period. The record, 69,889,424 tons, was set in 1955.

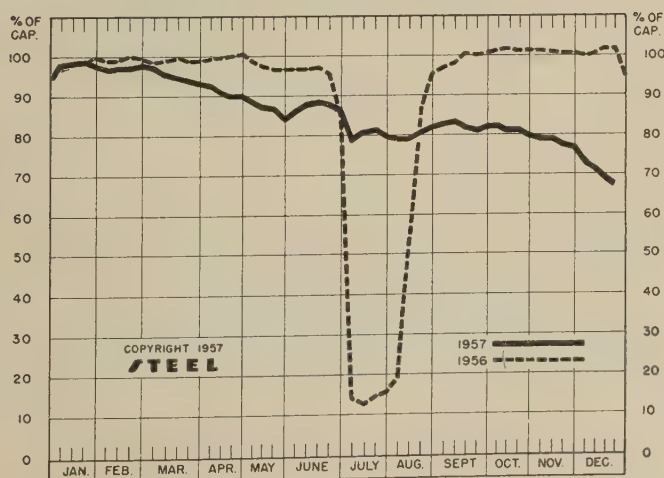
**AUTOS SURPRISE**—Considering recent sluggish auto demand, that industry's steel intake the first ten months of this year is surprisingly large. Its receipts were 11,793,376 tons, up from the 11,342,582 reported for the like 1956 period.

**BUYER'S MARKET**—A buyer's market is confirmed by relatively easy supply conditions in virtually all products, including heavy plates and structurals. Only three items are in really firm demand—wide, heavy plates; wide flange beams; and line pipe. The situation makes for increasingly sharp competition.

**PRICES WATCHED**—Except for easiness in quotations at the warehouse level, and disappearance of additional premium prices at mill level, no official concessions are noted. STEEL's arithmetical composite on finished steel last week dropped to \$145.52 from \$146.03 to reflect withdrawal of premiums on bars and plates.

**SCRAP FIRMER**—After a long, steady decline, the scrap market last week appeared to be developing a firmer tone. STEEL's composite on the prime steelmaking grade rose \$1.17 to \$33.17, as result of a sharp increase in the East. It is the first rise registered since the end of last July.

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(Percentage of Capacity Engaged)

	Week Ended Dec. 22	Change	Same Week 1956	1955
Pittsburgh	63	- 4*	103	99
Chicago	74.5	- 0.5*	103.5	98.5
Mid-Atlantic	81	0	102	98
Youngstown	63	- 2	104	95
Wheeling	61	- 0.5	100	98
Cleveland	69	+ 1*	104.5	93.5
Buffalo	63.5	0	107.5	100
Birmingham	71	+ 4	94	94.5
New England	52	0	74	92
Cincinnati	68.5	- 4	90.5	92.5
St. Louis	75.5	+ 15	90.5	100
Detroit	80.5	- 11*	99	95
Western	77	- 3	102	108
National Rate	67.5	- 1.5	102	98

## INGOT PRODUCTION\*

	Week Ended Dec. 22	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
INDEX	108.3†	110.2	121.1	157.2
NET TONS	1,739†	1,770	1,945	2,525
(In thousands)				

\*Change from preceding week's revised rate.

†Estimated. †American Iron & Steel Institute.

Weekly capacity (net tons): 2,559,490 in 1957; 2,461,893 in 1956; 2,413,278 in 1955.





Air Force officials for a long time have considered the width of stainless and alloy sheets (above right) as a limiting factor in aircraft design. U. S. Steel Corp. may have come up with the answer to their prayers with its . . .

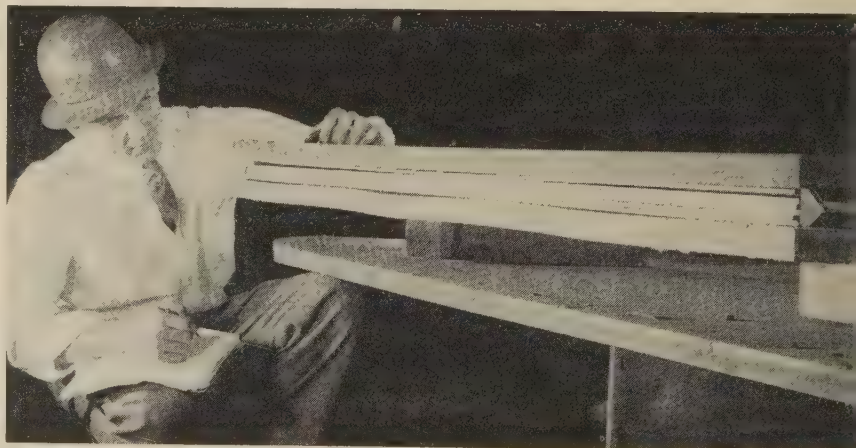
## King-Size Sheets on Way

ALLOY AND STAINLESS sheets in thin gages and widths up to 90 in. soon may be available to the aircraft and missile industries. They're the result of research in "sandwich" rolling at U. S. Steel Corp.'s Homestead District Works.

"The research and development project marks a major breakthrough in the size barrier and holds promise of better mill-produced materials for planes and missiles," say corporation officials. Where aircraft requirements call for alloy and stainless steel sheets wider than now available (the standard width is 48 in.), two or more sheets must be welded together, adding to the weight of the design. The wider sheet offers a significant saving in weight, plus simplification of design and fabrication.

**How It's Done**—The process was developed by Howard S. Orr, proj-

ect development engineer for USS. A typical sandwich consists of two ordinary carbon steel cover plates—each is 1 in. thick. Four plates



Several cuts of stainless steel plates make up the meat of this sandwich between two slices of ordinary carbon steel plates. The sides and ends are welded to hold the stack together, heated, and then rolled in the same manner as other carbon plates would be. The result: 90-in. wide, thin gage stainless she-

of 12 per cent stainless (or of alloy steel), each 5/16 in. thick, are placed between the cover plates. The plates are coated with a separating compound to prevent them from fusing during the rolling.

The sandwich, about 3 in. thick, is held together with welded side and end bars. It is heated by conventional methods and rolled down to a plate 3/8 in. thick, 90 in. wide, and 250 in. long. After the side and end bars are cut off and the cover is lifted, the product is a sheet similar to the one at the left in the top photograph. It is 90 in. wide and 250 in. long.

Each layer of the sandwich is uniformly reduced about 90 per cent; the original 5/16-in. stainless plates end up with a nominal thickness of 0.033 in. Until now it has not been feasible to get such a width in such a thin gage, U. S. Steel officials declare.

**Problems Solved**—Under normal procedures, such king-size sheets are difficult to roll because metal loss is too great and too much power is required. Because of the initial thickness, the sandwich tends to retain sufficient heat throughout the entire rolling operation. In addition, it has the working qualities of the carbon steel cover plates instead of the stainless or alloy plates inside.

This minimizes the need for excessive rolling mill power requirements. The experiments at Homestead mill have been carried on with existing facilities, although corporation officials say that engineering studies must be made



to determine the additional equipment needed to put the process into production. Studies are also being conducted to determine the best sandwich design and assembly methods, as well as to develop suitable ways to heat treat, quench, flatten, and finish the sheets to meet the exacting requirements of the aircraft and missile industry.

## Stainless Steel . . .

Stainless Steel Prices, Page 104

Demand for stainless steel bars is soft in the Detroit market. One area supplier says orders for December are down probably 20 per cent from those booked in November. This maker thinks business will improve a little in the first quarter, but that January orders so far haven't confirmed this view. December looks like the lowest month for this producer. Deliveries average about three to four weeks, but ten-day shipments can be had.

## Sheets, Strip . . .

Sheet & Strip Prices, Pages 99 & 100

Sheet suppliers say auto builders have not made known their full requirements for the first two months of 1958. Public reaction to the 1958 model cars has not been clearly demonstrated.

Several motor car interests are expected to cut schedules in January. At the same time, general metalworking is slowing down. Sheet and strip buyers generally are holding their inventories at the lowest possible level. Since they can get prompt mill deliveries, they see little point in stocking heavily.

Eastern sellers report January bookings are dragging. Most area mills do not expect orders next month will exceed low December volume by more than 10 per cent. Stocks are being worked off at a slow pace because of slackened operations in household equipment and automotive fields.

Some forward buying of electrical grade coils is noted in New England. Some users have covered first quarter needs. A spurt in demand for 430 stainless sheets is subsiding. Grain-oriented silicon sheet sales are off.

Raritan Arsenal, Metuchen, N. J., will close Dec. 26 on 375 tons of pickled and oiled hot-rolled carbon sheets.

## Steel Bars . . .

Bar Prices, Page 98

Curtailed manufacturing operations and substantial inventories are reflected in sluggish demand for steel bars, both carbon and alloy. Hot-rolled suppliers see no immediate change in prospects, but

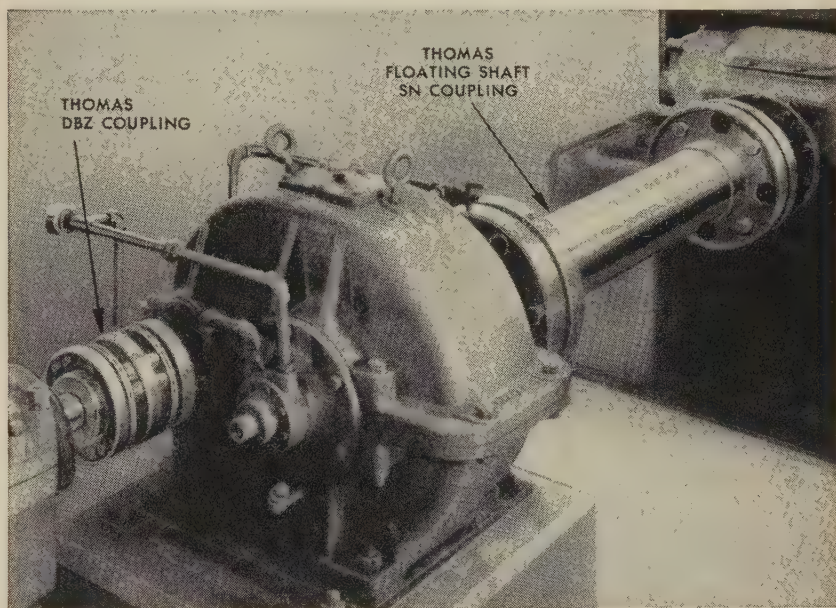
they are hoping for a moderate pickup in sales next month.

Cold-drawn barmakers do not anticipate much improvement in their sales volume soon. Their sales were poor this month. This sluggishness at the converter level is reflected in hot bar demand.

Mill schedules will fall well short of capacity next month, and prompt shipments will be available. This is discouraging forward buying. Order volume could pick up substantially without an extension

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in deliveries because of producers substantial banks of semifinished steel.

## Reinforcing Bars . . .

Reinforcing Bar Prices, Page 98

Prices of concrete reinforcing steel bars are easing with demand-supply balance prevailing at most distributing points. In the East, the bulk of tonnage is subject to price pressure. Contractors in that area still estimate 14.00 cents

to 15.00 cents per pound in place, but in many cases, they are able to buy deformed and fabricated stock at half that price.

With sizable bar backlogs, Oregon Steel Mills plans to suspend operations three day over Christmas and three days over New Year. Northwest Steel Rolling Mills Inc., Seattle, will be down two weeks. Considerable reinforcing tonnage is involved in highway projects in Oregon and Washington, but recent placements have been small.

## Wire . . .

Wire Prices, Pages 100 & 103

Yearend operations will be curtailed more than they were last year by the wire mills and their customers. Wiremakers' backlogs are low, and the bulk of volume placed is for prompt shipment or fill-in tonnages.

Bookings for January are light—and notably for rods. There is some first quarter buying of high carbon specialties; inventories of some eastern consumers are expected to be depleted by Jan. 11. These consumers bought sparingly for fourth quarter and indicate replacement tonnage will be needed in the first quarter of 1958. While this volume will be placed in January, in some cases shipment is not wanted until February-March.

Automotive demand continues slow, and unless car sales gain, a drop in ordering is expected next month.

Merchant wire sales continue limited, especially in the East and several other areas where foreign competition is severe. Demand from the construction industry is off seasonally.

## Plates . . .

Plate Prices, Page 98

Eastern plate mills expect to have full January schedules although tonnage specifications are coming through with less pressure. Makers are becoming current on practically all gages, with leading consumers cutting needs—notably for tanks, pressure vessels, weldments, and miscellaneous heavy equipment, including construction machinery.

Shipbuilding requirements are mounting, with demand stronger for heavier, higher manganese-lower carbon plates for super-tankers. The ships are to be double plated in critical stress areas.

In some cases, mills are booked into mid-February on alloy plates. Clad plate deliveries are down to six-eight weeks, heads four to five. Some mills are booking plate girders, bridge tonnage direct.

The last of the premium prices has officially disappeared, with the Harrisburg, Pa., mill now quoting \$5.10 per 100 lb, mill, on carbon plates.



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# Steel Shipments Heavy

Mill shipments of finished steel products totaled 69,155,531 net tons in the first ten months of 1957, reports the American Iron & Steel Institute. The figure was nearly 400,000 tons greater than the 68,755,943 tons moved in the like period of 1956. It compares with the record 69,889,434 tons shipped in January through October, 1955.

Principal market groups were:

Classification:	Net Tons 10 Mo. 1957	% of Domestic Shipments
Warehouses	12,836,698	19.7
Automotive	11,793,376	18.1
Construction	10,698,821	16.4
Containers	5,592,026	8.6
Machinery	3,946,455	6.0
Railroads	3,689,897	5.7

Particularly significant is the fact that shipments to the automotive, construction, and the railroad classifications ran ahead of the ten-month totals in 1956. Construction received more in the period than it did all last year (10.4 million tons).

Products shipped in the greatest tonnage were:

Products	Net Tons 10 Mo. 1957
Cold-rolled sheets	9,944,292
Plates	8,150,346
Hot-rolled sheets	6,693,443
Hot-rolled bars	6,574,834
Structurals	5,758,220
Elec. tin plate	4,205,356

Plate, structural, and electrolytic tin plate shipments were running at better than the 1956 total. Structurals set a ten-month high mark.

During October, total shipments of finished products amounted to 6,550,690 net tons, compared with 6,171,674 in September, and with 7,930,957 in October, 1956.

## Ferroalloys . . .

Ferroalloy Prices, Page 107

Production of silicon alloys and metal during the third quarter was 11 per cent below output in the second quarter, reports the U. S. Bureau of Mines. Shipments from furnaces were 2 per cent higher, and apparent consumption (shipments plus imports, minus exports) was about 4 per cent lower.

Stocks on hand at producers plants as of Sept. 30 totaled 140,827 short tons, compared with 152,056 on June 30. Here are U. S.

statistics on silvery pig iron, ferrosilicon, silicon briquets, silicon

metal, and miscellaneous silicon alloys (short tons are used):

Year	Domestic Furnace		Imports	Exports	Apparent Consumption
	Shipments				
1954	632,505		17,811	2,080	648,236
1955	933,063		24,359	1,689	955,733
1956	865,953		22,017	2,114	885,856
1957					
First Quarter	201,577		4,945	757	205,765
Second Quarter	197,325		5,931	812	202,444
Third Quarter	189,721		5,568	251	195,038
Total 9 Mo.	588,623		16,444	1,820	603,247

	Production		Shipments	
	1957 3rd Quar.	1957 2nd Quar.	1957 3rd Quar.	1957 2nd Quar.
Blast furnaces (Silvery Iron)	35,979	55,056	40,566	43,763
Electric Furnaces				
(Ferrosilicon)	130,500	137,899	136,055	132,850
Silicon Metal, and Other				
Silicon Alloys	23,242	20,901	24,532	20,712
Totals	189,721	213,856	201,153	197,325



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# Steel Ingot Production—November, 1957

Period	— OPEN HEARTH —		— BESSEMER —		— ELECTRIC —		— TOTAL —	
	Net tons	Per cent of capacity	Net tons	Per cent of capacity	Net tons	Per cent of capacity	Net tons	Per cent of capacity
1957								
January ..	9,829,691	99.0	294,839	77.1	884,232	86.5	11,008,762	97.1
February ..	8,898,671	99.2	277,682	80.4	810,853	87.8	9,987,206	97.6
March ....	9,442,164	95.1	275,156	71.9	871,754	85.2	10,589,074	93.4
1st Qtr. ...	28,170,526	97.7	847,677	76.3	2,566,839	86.4	31,585,042	96.0
April .....	8,820,328	91.8	231,731	62.8	762,721	77.1	9,814,780	89.5
May .....	8,842,707	89.1	201,864	52.8	747,752	73.1	9,792,323	86.4
June .....	8,498,903	88.4	210,915	57.0	681,584	68.9	9,391,402	85.6
2nd Qtr. ...	26,161,938	89.8	644,510	57.4	2,192,057	73.0	28,998,505	87.2
1st 6 Mo. ...	54,332,464	93.7	1,492,187	66.8	4,758,896	79.7	60,583,547	91.5
July .....	8,086,519	81.4	194,638	50.9	627,575	61.4	8,908,732	78.6
August .....	8,297,172	83.6	204,723	53.5	731,995	71.6	9,233,890	81.5
September ..	8,135,139	84.7	185,967	50.2	656,800	66.4	8,977,906	81.8
3rd Qtr. ...	24,518,830	83.2	585,328	51.5	2,016,370	66.4	27,120,528	80.6
9 Mo. ....	78,851,294	90.2	2,077,515	61.7	6,775,266	75.2	87,704,075	87.9
*October ..	8,348,522	84.1	154,577	40.4	694,618	67.9	9,197,717	81.1
†November ..	7,674,000	79.9	135,000	36.5	584,000	59.0	8,393,000	76.5
1956								
January ..	9,676,151	101.4	323,235	79.5	828,845	86.7	10,828,231	99.3
February ..	9,043,064	101.3	296,543	78.0	799,388	87.1	10,118,995	99.2
March ....	9,795,263	102.7	310,060	76.3	819,465	85.7	10,924,788	100.2
1st Qtr. ...	28,514,478	101.8	929,838	77.9	2,427,698	86.5	31,872,014	99.6
April .....	9,437,945	102.2	306,388	77.9	779,452	84.2	10,523,785	99.7
May .....	9,370,167	98.2	297,990	73.3	822,219	86.0	10,490,376	96.2
June .....	8,664,605	93.9	282,846	71.9	773,546	83.6	9,720,997	92.1
2nd Qtr. ...	27,472,717	98.1	887,224	74.3	2,375,217	84.6	30,735,158	96.0
1st 6 Mo. ...	55,987,195	100.0	1,817,062	76.1	4,802,915	85.6	62,607,172	97.8
July .....	1,330,151	13.9	.....	.....	292,012	30.5	1,622,163	14.9
August ...	7,213,274	75.6	189,564	46.6	719,759	75.3	8,122,597	74.5
September ..	9,342,796	101.2	286,978	72.9	792,885	85.7	10,422,659	98.8
3rd Qtr. ...	17,886,221	63.2	476,542	39.5	1,804,656	63.6	20,167,419	62.3
9 Mo. ....	73,873,416	87.6	2,293,604	63.8	6,607,571	78.2	82,774,591	85.9
October ....	9,841,002	103.2	330,101	81.2	877,410	91.8	11,048,513	101.3
November ..	9,430,248	102.2	295,827	75.2	829,425	89.6	10,555,500	100.0
December ...	9,695,919	101.6	308,465	75.9	833,161	87.1	10,837,545	99.4
4th Qtr. ...	28,967,169	102.3	934,393	77.4	2,539,996	89.5	32,441,558	100.3
2nd 6 Mo. ...	46,853,390	82.8	1,410,935	58.5	4,344,652	76.5	52,608,977	81.3
Total 1956	102,840,585	91.6	3,227,997	67.4	9,147,567	81.2	115,216,149	89.8

Note—The percentages of capacity operated in 1957 are calculated on Jan. 1, 1957, annual capacities of: Open hearth, 116,912,410 net tons; bessemer, 4,505,000 net tons; electric, 12,041,740 net tons; total, 133,459,150 net tons. The percentages of capacity operated in 1956 are calculated on Jan. 1, 1956, annual capacities of: Open hearth, 112,317,040 net tons; bessemer, 4,787,000 net tons; electric, 11,259,050 net tons; total, 128,363,090 net tons.

\*Revised. †Preliminary figures, subject to revision.

## Rails, Cars . . .

Track Material Prices, Page 103

While announcements of new rail orders are lacking, indications are that the railroads are again ordering tonnage. U. S. Steel Corp.'s Tennessee Coal & Iron Div., Birmingham, has reopened its rail mill which was closed down Oct. 1. The 400 workmen who were laid off then have been recalled. The division also is increasing steel ingot production, having reactivated an idle open hearth furnace.

## Semifinished Steel . . .

Semifinished Prices, Page 98

Inland Steel Co. completed rebuilding the first of seven open hearths and returned it to production early this month. The second furnace was restarted last week, and the third is scheduled for its first heat around New Year's Day.

With resumption of these furnaces, the remaining four will go down for rebuilding. The rebuilding program started Aug. 5.

## Steel Output Imposing

Production of ingots and steel for castings totaled 105,294,792 net tons in the first 11 months of this year, reports the American Iron & Steel Institute. In only one other comparable period was that total exceeded; in 1955, output amounted to 106.5 million tons.

In 1956, the 11-month total was 104.4 million tons, about 900,000 less than in the like period this year. But production was held down during 1956 by a five-week strike.

In terms of the basic index of average production for the period 1947-49, output in the January-November period was 137.4. During the comparable period last year, the index was 135.8.

November output was estimated at 8,393,000 tons. The index for the month was 121.9. In October, production totaled 9,197,717 tons. In November, 1956, it was 10,555,500.

Through November, the industry operated at 86.2 per cent of capacity, based on the Jan. 1, 1957, capacity rating of 133,459,150 net tons. During November, it operated at 76.5 per cent.

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Angles (2"x2"x½" incl. all extras) . . . . .	5.98	6.23	6.46	6.10
Beams & Channels (base) . . . . .	6.43	6.66	6.92	6.56
Furring Channels (C.R. ¾", per 1000') . . . . .	26.67	27.36	.....	.....
Barbed Wire (per 82 lb. net reel) . . . . .	6.95	7.40	7.75	7.80
Nails (bright, common, 20d and heavier) . . . .	8.12	8.32	8.97	8.79
Larsen Sheet Piling (section II, new, incl. size extra) . . . . .	7.80	8.10	8.10	7.80
Wire, Manufacturer's bright, low C, (11½ ga.) .	7.15	7.29	8.29	8.29
Wire, galv., Fence qual., low C, (11½ ga.) . .	7.68	7.82	9.09	9.09
Wire, Merchant quality, bl. ann., (10 ga.) . . .	7.27	7.42	8.45	8.45
Rope Wire (.045", 247,000 PSI, incl. extras) . .	13.60	13.75	13.00	13.00
Wire, fine and weaving, low C, (20 ga.) . . . .	10.66	10.80	10.17	12.17
Tie Wire, autom. baler (14½ ASWG, 97 lbs. net) . . . . .	9.58	9.73	9.64	9.54
Merchant Pipe (½" galv. T & C, per 100') . . .	8.48	8.83	.....	.....
Casing (5½", 15.5 J55, T & C, per 100') . . . .	189.00	194.00	.....	.....
Tubing (2½", 6.4 J55, EUE, per 100') . . . . .	98.00	99.00	.....	.....
Forged R Turn. Bars, C-1035 (from 10" di.) . .	13.50	13.73	13.50	13.24

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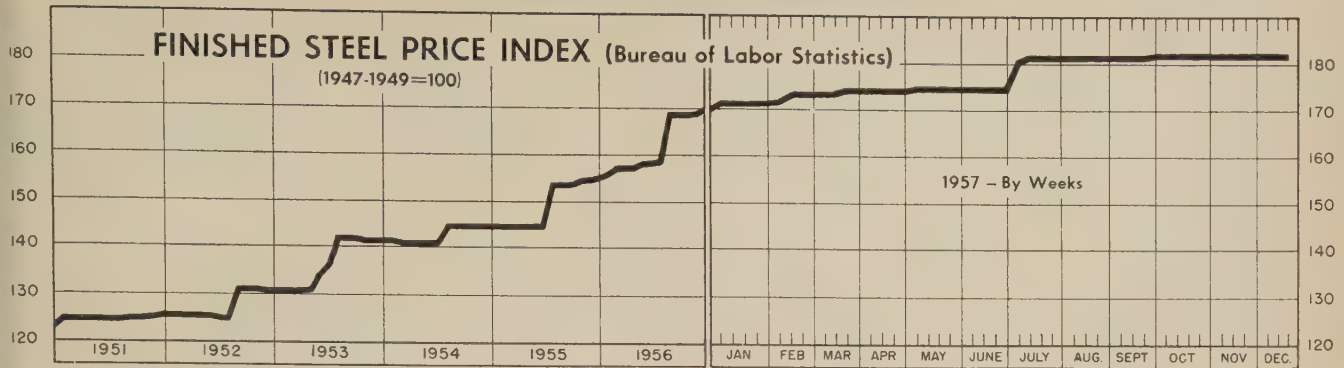
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# Price Indexes and Composites

## FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

(1947-1949=100)



Dec. 17 1957

Week Ago

Month Ago

Nov. Avg.

Year Ago

181.7

181.7

181.7

181.7

168.8

## AVERAGE PRICES OF STEEL (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

Week Ended Dec. 17

Prices include mill base prices and typical extras and deductions. Units are 100 lb except where otherwise noted in parentheses. For complete description of the following products and extras and deductions applicable to them, write to STEEL.

Rails, Standard No. 1...	\$5.600	Bars, Reinforcing .....	6.210
Rails, Light, 40 lb .....	7.067	Bars, C.F., Carbon .....	10.360
Tie Plates .....	6.800	Bars, C.F., Alloy .....	13.875
Axles, Railway .....	9.825	Bars, C.F., Stainless, 302 (lb) .....	0.553
Wheels, Freight Car, 33 in. (per wheel) .....	60.000	Sheets, H.R., Carbon .....	6.192
Plates, Carbon .....	6.150	Sheets, C.R., Carbon .....	7.089
Structural Shapes .....	5.942	Sheets, Galvanized .....	8.220
Bars, Tool Steel, Carbon (lb) .....	0.535	Sheets, C.R., Stainless, 302 (lb) .....	0.688
Bars, Tool Steel, Alloy, Oil Hardening Die (lb) .....	0.650	Sheets, Electrical .....	12.025
Bars, Tool Steel, H.R., Alloy, High Speed, W 6.75, Cr 4.5, V 2.1, Mo 5.5, C 0.60 (lb) .....	1.355	Strip, C.R., Carbon .....	9.243
Bars, Tool Steel, H.R., Alloy, High Speed, W18, Cr 4, V 1 (lb) .....	1.850	Strip, C.R., Stainless, 430 (lb) .....	0.493
Bars, H.R., Alloy .....	10.525	Strip, H.R., Carbon .....	6.245
Bars, H.R., Stainless, 303 (lb) .....	0.525	Pipe, Black, Buttweld (100 ft) .....	19.814
Bars, H.R., Carbon .....	6.425	Pipe, Galv., Buttweld (100 ft) .....	23.264
		Pipe, Line (100 ft) .....	199.023
		Casing, Oil Well, Carbon (100 ft) .....	194.499
		Casing, Oil Well, Alloy (100 ft) .....	304.610

Tubes, Boiler (100 ft) ..	49.130	Black Plate, Canmaking Quality (95 lb base box) ..	7.583
Tubing, Mechanical, Carbon (100 ft) .....	24.953	Wire, Drawn, Carbon ...	10.225
Tubing, Mechanical, Stainless, 304 (100 ft) .....	205.608	Wire, Drawn, Stainless, 430 (lb) .....	0.653
Tin Plate, Hot-dipped, 1.25 lb (95 lb base box) .....	9.783	Bale Ties (bundles) .....	7.967
Tin Plate, Electrolytic, 0.25 lb (95 lb base box) ..	8.483	Nails, Wire, 8d Common ..	9.823
		Wire, Barbed (80-rod spool) ..	8.719
		Woven Wire Fence (20-rod roll) .....	21.737

## STEEL'S FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX\*

	Dec. 18 1957	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yr Ago
Index (1935-39 avg=100) ..	239.15	239.15	239.15	225.92	181.31
Index in cents per lb .....	6.479	6.479	6.479	6.111	4.912

## STEEL'S ARITHMETICAL PRICE COMPOSITES\*

Finished Steel, NT .....	\$145.42	\$146.03	\$146.03	\$137.66	\$110.98
No. 2 Fdry Pig Iron, GT..	66.49	66.49	66.49	62.63	55.04
Basic Pig Iron, GT .....	65.99	65.99	65.99	62.18	54.66
Malleable Pig Iron, GT ...	67.27	67.27	67.27	63.41	55.77
Steelmaking Scrap, GT ...	33.17	32.00	33.17	64.83	43.00

\*For explanation of weighted index see STEEL, Sept. 19, 1949, p. 54; of arithmetical price composite, STEEL, Sept. 1, 1952, p. 130.

## Comparison of Prices

Comparative prices by districts, in cents per pound except as otherwise noted. Delivered prices based on nearest production point.

### FINISHED STEEL

	Dec. 18 1957	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yr Ago
Bars, H.R., Pittsburgh ....	5.425	5.425	5.425	5.075	3.95
Bars, H.R., Chicago .....	5.425	5.425	5.425	5.075	3.95
Bars, H.R., deld., Philadelphia	5.725	5.725	5.725	5.35	4.502
Bars, C.F., Pittsburgh .....	7.30*	7.30*	7.30*	6.85*	4.925
Shapes, Std., Pittsburgh ...	5.275	5.275	5.275	5.00	3.85
Shapes, Std., Chicago .....	5.275	5.275	5.275	5.00	3.85
Shapes, deld., Philadelphia ..	5.545	5.545	5.545	5.40	4.13
Plates, Pittsburgh .....	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.85	3.90
Plates, Chicago .....	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.85	3.90
Plates, Coatesville, Pa. ....	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.25	4.35
Plates, Sparrows Point, Md. ..	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.85	3.90
Plates, Claymont, Del. ....	5.70	5.70	5.70	5.35	4.35
Sheets, H.R., Pittsburgh ....	4.925	4.925	4.925	4.675	3.775
Sheets, H.R., Chicago .....	4.925	4.925	4.925	4.675	3.775
Sheets, C.R., Pittsburgh .....	6.05	6.05	6.05	5.75	4.575
Sheets, C.R., Chicago .....	6.05	6.05	6.05	5.75	4.575
Sheets, C.R., Detroit .....	6.05-6.15	6.05-6.15	6.05-6.15	5.75-5.85	4.775
Sheets, Galv., Pittsburgh ...	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.30	5.075
Strip, H.R., Pittsburgh ....	4.925	4.925	4.925	4.675	3.725
Strip, H.R., Chicago .....	4.925	4.925	4.925	4.675	3.725
Strip, C.R., Pittsburgh .....	7.15	7.15	7.15	6.85	5.10-5.80
Strip, C.R., Chicago .....	7.15	7.15	7.15	6.85	5.35
Strip, C.R., Detroit .....	7.25	7.25	7.25	6.95	5.30-6.05
Wire, Basic, Pittsburgh ...	7.65	7.65	7.65	7.20	5.10-5.225
Nails, Wire, Pittsburgh ....	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.20	6.20-6.35
Tin plate (1.50 lb) box, Pitts.	\$10.30	\$10.30	\$10.30	\$9.95	\$8.95

\*Including 0.35c for special quality.

### SEMIFINISHED STEEL

Billets, forging, Pitts. (NT)	\$96.00	\$96.00	\$96.00	\$91.50	\$70.50
Wire rods, 3/8"-1" Pitts. ...	6.15	6.15	6.15	5.80	4.425

### PIG IRON, Gross Ton

	Dec. 18 1957	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yr Ago
Bessemer, Pitts. ....	\$67.00	\$67.00	\$67.00	\$63.50	\$55.50
Basic, Valley .....	66.00	66.00	66.00	62.50	54.50
Basic, deld., Phila. ....	70.01	70.01	70.01	66.26	59.25
No. 2 Fdry, Neville Island, Pa.	66.50	66.50	66.50	63.00	55.00
No. 2 Fdry, Chicago .....	66.50	66.50	66.50	63.00	55.00
No. 2 Fdry, deld., Phila. ...	70.51	70.51	70.51	66.76	59.75
No. 2 Fdry, Birm. ....	62.50	62.50	62.50	59.00	51.38
No. 2 Fdry (Birm.) deld. Cin.	70.20	70.20	70.20	66.70	58.93
Malleable, Valley .....	66.50	66.50	66.50	63.00	55.00
Malleable, Chicago .....	66.50	66.50	66.50	63.00	55.00
Ferromanganese, Duquesne.	245.00†	245.00†	245.00†	235.00†	228.00*

†74-76% Mn, net ton. \*75-82% Mn, gross ton, Etna, Pa.

### SCRAP, Gross Ton (Including broker's commission)

No. 1 Heavy Melt, Pittsburgh	\$31.50	\$31.50	\$33.50	\$66.50	\$44.00
No. 1 Heavy Melt, E. Pa. ...	37.00	33.50	33.50	63.00	41.50
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Chicago	31.00	31.00	32.50	65.00	42.50
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Valley ..	29.50	29.50	31.50	66.50	44.00
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Cleve. ...	26.50	26.50	28.50	65.00	43.00
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Buffalo.	31.50	31.50	32.50	62.50	43.00
Rails, Rerolling, Chicago ..	49.50	47.50	48.50	89.50	52.50
No. 1 Cast, Chicago .....	37.50	35.50	35.50	50.50	50.00

### COKE, Net Ton

Beehive, Furn., Connsvl. ...	\$15.25	\$15.25	\$15.25	\$14.50	\$14.75
Beehive, Fdry., Connsvl. ...	18.25	18.25	18.25	17.50	17.00



# Steel Prices

Mill prices as reported to STEEL, Dec. 18, cents per pound except as otherwise noted. *Changes shown in italics.*  
Code numbers following mill points indicate producing company. Key to producers, page 99; to footnotes, page 103.

## SEMIFINISHED

<b>INGOTS, Carbon, Forging (NT)</b>	
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$73.50
<b>INGOTS, Alloy (NT)</b>	
Detroit S41	\$77.00
Farrell, Pa. S3	\$77.00
Lowellville, O. S3	\$77.00
Midland, Pa. C18	\$77.00
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$77.00
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$77.00

## BILLETS, BLOOMS & SLABS

<b>Carbon, Re-rolling (NT)</b>	
Bessemer, Pa. U5	\$77.50
Buffalo R2	\$77.50
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$77.50
Ensley, Ala. T2	\$77.50
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$77.50
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$88.00
Gary, Ind. U5	\$77.50
Johnstown, Pa. B3	\$77.50
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$77.50
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$77.50
S. Chicago, Ill. R2, U5	\$77.50
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	\$77.50
Sterling, Ill. N15	\$77.50
Youngstown R2	\$77.50
<b>Carbon, Forging (NT)</b>	
Bessemer, Pa. U5	\$96.00
Buffalo R2	\$96.00
Canton, O. R2	\$98.50
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$96.00
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	\$101.00
Ensley, Ala. T2	\$96.00
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$96.00
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$105.50
Gary, Ind. U5	\$96.00
Geneva, Utah C11	\$96.00
Houston S5	\$101.00
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$96.00
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$96.00
Los Angeles B3	\$105.50
Midland, Pa. C18	\$96.00
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$96.00
Seattle B3	\$109.50
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$96.00
S. Chicago R2, U5, W14	\$96.00
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	\$96.00
S. San Francisco B3	\$105.50
Warren, O. C17	\$96.00

<b>Alloy, Forging (NT)</b>	
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$114.00
Bridgeport, Conn. C32	\$114.00
Buffalo R2	\$114.00
Canton, O. R2, T7	\$114.00
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	\$121.00
Detroit S41	\$114.00
Economy, Pa. B14	\$114.00
Farrell, Pa. S3	\$114.00
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$135.00
Gary, Ind. U5	\$114.00
Houston S5	\$119.00
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	\$114.00
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$114.00
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$114.00
Los Angeles B3	\$134.00
Lowellville, O. S3	\$114.00
Massillon, O. R2	\$114.00
Midland, Pa. C18	\$114.00
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$114.00
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$114.00
S. Chicago R2, U5, W14	\$114.00
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	\$114.00
Sterling, Ill. N15	\$114.00
Struthers, O. Y1	\$114.00
Warren, O. C17	\$114.00

<b>Alloy, Forging (NT)</b>	
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$114.00
Bridgeport, Conn. C32	\$114.00
Buffalo R2	\$114.00
Canton, O. R2, T7	\$114.00
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	\$121.00
Detroit S41	\$114.00
Economy, Pa. B14	\$114.00
Farrell, Pa. S3	\$114.00
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$135.00
Gary, Ind. U5	\$114.00
Houston S5	\$119.00
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	\$114.00
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$114.00
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$114.00
Los Angeles B3	\$134.00
Lowellville, O. S3	\$114.00
Massillon, O. R2	\$114.00
Midland, Pa. C18	\$114.00
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$114.00
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$114.00
S. Chicago R2, U5, W14	\$114.00
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	\$114.00
Sterling, Ill. N15	\$114.00
Struthers, O. Y1	\$114.00
Warren, O. C17	\$114.00

<b>ROUNDS, SEAMLESS TUBE (NT)</b>	
Buffalo R2	\$117.50
Canton, O. R2	\$120.00
Cleveland R2	\$117.50
Gary, Ind. U5	\$117.50
S. Chicago, Ill. R2, W14	\$117.50
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	\$117.50
Warren, O. C17	\$117.50

<b>SKELP</b>	
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$5.075
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$4.875
Warren, O. R2	\$4.875
Youngstown R2, U5	\$4.875

<b>WIRE RODS</b>	
Alabama City, Ala. R2	\$6.15
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$6.15
Alton, Ill. L1	\$6.35
Buffalo W12	\$6.15
Cleveland A7	\$6.15
Donora, Pa. A7	\$6.15
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$6.15
Houston S5	\$6.40
Indiana Harbor, Ind. Y1	\$6.15
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$6.15
Joliet, Ill. A7	\$6.15
Kansas City, Mo. S5	\$6.40
Kokomo, Ind. C16	\$6.25
Los Angeles B3	\$6.95
Minneapolis, Colo. C10	\$6.40

Monessen, Pa. P7	\$6.15
N. Tonawanda, N.Y. B11	\$6.15
Pittsburgh, Calif. C11	\$6.95
Portsmouth, O. P12	\$6.15
Roebling, N.J. R5	\$6.25
S. Chicago, Ill. R2	\$6.15
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	\$6.25
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	\$6.15
Sterling, Ill. N15	\$6.25
Struthers, O. Y1	\$6.15
Worcester, Mass. A7	\$6.45

## STRUCTURALS

<b>Carbon Steel Std. Shapes</b>	
Ala. City, Ala. R2	\$5.275
Atlanta A11	\$5.475
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$5.275
Bessemer, Ala. T2	\$5.275
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$5.325
Birmingham C15	\$5.275
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$5.275
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$5.275
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$6.075
Gary, Ind. U5	\$5.275
Geneva, Utah C11	\$5.275
Houston S5	\$5.375
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2	\$5.275
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$5.325
Joliet, Ill. P22	\$5.275
Kansas City, Mo. S5	\$5.375
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$5.325
Los Angeles B3	\$5.975
Minneapolis, Colo. C10	\$5.575
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$5.275
Niles, Calif. P1	\$5.925
Phoenixville, Pa. P4	\$5.325
Portland, Ore. O4	\$6.025
Seattle B3	\$6.025
S. Chicago, Ill. U5, W14	\$5.275
S. San Francisco B3	\$5.925
Sterling, Ill. N15	\$5.275
Torrance, Calif. C11	\$5.975
Weirton, W. Va. W6	\$5.275

<b>Wide Flange</b>	
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$5.325
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$5.275
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$6.225
Indiana Harbor, Ind. I-2	\$5.275
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$5.325
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$5.275
Phoenixville, Pa. P4	\$5.325
S. Chicago, Ill. U5	\$5.275

<b>Alloy Std. Shapes</b>	
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$6.55
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$6.55
Gary, Ind. U5	\$6.55
Houston S5	\$6.65
Kansas City, Mo. S5	\$6.65
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$6.55
S. Chicago, Ill. U5	\$6.55

<b>H.S., L.A. Std. Shapes</b>	
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$7.75
Bessemer, Ala. T2	\$7.75
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$7.80
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$7.75
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$7.75
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$8.55
Gary, Ind. U5	\$7.75
Geneva, Utah C11	\$7.75
Houston S5	\$7.85
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2	\$7.75
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$7.75
Kansas City, Mo. S5	\$7.85
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$7.80
Los Angeles B3	\$8.45
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$7.75
Seattle B3	\$8.50
S. Chicago, Ill. U5, W14	\$7.75
S. San Francisco B3	\$8.40
Struthers, O. Y1	\$7.75
<b>H.S., L.A. Wide Flange</b>	
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$7.80
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$7.80
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$7.75
S. Chicago, Ill. U5	\$7.75

<b>BEARING PILES</b>	
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	\$5.325
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$5.325
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$5.275
S. Chicago, Ill. U5	\$5.275

<b>STEEL SHEET PILING</b>	
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$6.225
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$6.225
S. Chicago, Ill. U5	\$6.225
Weirton, W. Va. W6	\$6.225

<b>PLATES, Carbon Steel</b>	
Ala. City, Ala. R2	\$5.10
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$5.10
Ashland, Ky. (15) A10	\$5.10
Bessemer, Ala. T2	\$5.10
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$5.10
Claymont, Del. C22	\$5.10
Cleveland J5, R2	\$5.20

Coatesville, Pa. L7	\$5.10
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	\$5.20
Ecorse, Mich. G5	\$5.20
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$5.10
Fontana, Calif. (30) K1	\$5.90
Gary, Ind. U5	\$5.10
Geneva, Utah C11	\$5.10
Granite City, Ill. G4	\$5.30
Harrisburg, Pa. P4	\$5.10
Houston S5	\$5.20
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	\$5.10
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$5.10
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	\$5.10
Lone Star, Tex. L6	\$5.45
Mansfield, O. E6	\$5.10
Minneapolis, Colo. C10	\$5.95
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$5.10
Newport, Ky. A2	\$5.10
Pittsburgh J5	\$5.10
Riverdale, Ill. A1	\$5.10
Seattle B3	\$6.00
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$5.10
S. Chicago, Ill. U5, W14	\$5.10
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	\$5.10
Sterling, Ill. N15	\$5.10
Steubenville, C. W10	\$5.10
Warren, O. R2	\$5.10
Youngstown U5, Y1	\$5.10

<b>PLATES, Carbon Abras. Resist.</b>	
Claymont, Del. C22	\$6.75
Fontana, Calif. K1	\$7.55
Geneva, Utah C11	\$6.75
Houston S5	\$6.85
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$6.75
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	\$6.75

## PLATES, Wrought Iron

Economy, Pa. B14	\$13.15
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<b>PLATES, H.S., L.A.</b>	
Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$7.625
Bessemer, Ala. T2	\$7.625
Clairton, Pa. U5	\$7.625
Claymont, Del. C22	\$7.625
Cleveland J5, R2	\$7.625
Coatesville, Pa. L7	\$7.925
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	\$7.925
Economy, Pa. B14	\$7.625
Ecorse, Mich. G5	\$7.725
Fairfield, Ala. T2	\$7.625
Farrell, Pa. S3	\$7.625
Fontana, Calif. (30) K1	\$8.425
Gary, Ind. U5	\$7.625
Geneva, Utah C11	\$7.625
Houston S5	\$7.725
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	\$7.625
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$7.625
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$7.625
Pittsburgh J5	\$7.625
Seattle B3	\$8.525
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$7.625
S. Chicago, Ill. U5, W14	\$7.625
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	\$7.625
Warren, O. R2	\$7.625
Youngstown U5	\$7.625

## PLATES, ALLOY

Alquippa, Pa. J5	\$7.20
Claymont, Del. C22	\$7.20
Coatesville, Pa. L7	\$7.20
Economy, Pa. B14	\$7.20
Farrell, Pa. S3	\$7.20
Fontana, Calif. (30) K1	\$8.00
Gary, Ind. U5	\$7.20
Houston S5	\$7.30
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	\$7.20
Johnstown, Pa. B2	\$7.20
Lowellville, O. S3	\$7.20
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$7.20
Newport, Ky. A2	\$7.20
Pittsburgh J5	\$7.20
Seattle B3	\$8.10
Sharon, Pa. S3	\$7.20
S. Chicago, Ill. U5, W14	\$7.20
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	\$7.20
Youngstown Y1	\$7.20

## FLOOR PLATES

Cleveland J5	\$6.175
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	\$6.175
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2	\$6.175
Munhall, Pa. U5	\$6.175
S. Chicago, Ill. U5	\$6.175

<b>PLATES, Ingot Iron</b>	
Ashland c.l. (15) A10	\$5.35
Ashland c.l. (15) A10	\$5.85
Cleveland c.l. R2	\$5.85
Warren, O. c.l. R2	\$5.85

## BARS

### BARS, Hot-Rolled Carbon (Merchant Quality)

Ala. City, Ala. (9) R2	\$5.425
Alquippa, Pa. (9) J5	\$5.425
Alton, Ill. L1	\$5.625
Atlanta (9) A11	\$5.625
Bessemer, Ala. (9) T2	\$5.425
Birmingham (9) C15	\$5.425
Buffalo (9) R2	\$5.425

Clairton, Pa. (9) U5	\$5.425
Cleveland (9) R2	\$5.425
Ecorse, Mich. (9) G5	\$5.525
Emeryville, Calif. J7	\$6.175
Fairfield, Ala. (9) T2	\$5.425
Fairless, Pa. (9) U5	\$5.575
Fontana, Calif. (9) K1	\$6.125
Gary, Ind. (9) U5	\$5.425
Houston (9) S5	\$5.675
Ind. Harbor (9) I-2, Y1	\$5.425
Johnstown, Pa. (9) B2	\$5.425
Joliet, Ill. P22	\$5.425
Kansas City, Mo. (9) S5	\$5.675
Lackawanna (9) B2	\$5.425
Los Angeles (9) B3	\$6.125
Milton, Pa. M18	\$5.575
Minneapolis, Colo. C10	\$5.875
Niles, Calif. P1	\$6.125
N. T. Wanda, N.Y. (23) B11	\$5.775
Pittsburgh, Calif. (9) C11	\$6.125
Pittsburgh (9) J5	\$5.425
Portland, Ore. O4	\$6.175
Seattle B3, N14	\$6.175
S. Ch'c'go (9) R2, U5, W14	\$5.425
S. Duquesne, Pa. (9) U5	\$5.425
S. San Fran. Calif. (9) B3	\$6.175
Sterling, Ill. (1) (9) N15	\$5.425
Sterling, Ill. (9) N15	\$5.525
Struthers, O. Y1	\$5.425
Tonawanda, N.Y. B12	\$5.425
Torrance, Calif. (9) C11	\$6.125
Youngstown (9) R2, U5	\$5.425

### BARS, H.R. Ledded Alloy (Including leded extra)

Warren, O. C17	\$7.475
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### BARS, Hot-Rolled Alloy

Bethlehem, Pa. B2	6.475
Bridgeport, Conn. C32	6.55
Buffalo R2	6.475
Canton, O. R2, T7	6.475
Clairton, Pa. U5	6.475
Detroit S41	6.475
Economy, Pa. B14	6.475
Ecorse, Mich. G5	6.575
Fairless, Pa. U5	6.625
Farrell, Pa. S3	6.475
Fontana, Calif. K1	7.525
Gary, Ind. U5	6.475
Houston S5	6.725
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	6.475
Johnstown, Pa. B2	6.475
Kansas City, Mo. S5	6.725
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	6.475
Lowellville, O. S3	6.475
Los Angeles B3	7.525
Massillon, O. R2	6.475
Midland, Pa. C18	6.475
Pittsburgh J5	6.475
Sharon, Pa. S3	6.475
S. Chicago R2, U5, W14	6.475
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	6.475
Struthers, O. Y1	6.475
Warren, O. C17	6.475
Youngstown U5	6.475



**BARS, Reinforcing  
(To Fabricators)**

Ala. City, Ala. R2	5.425
Atlanta A11	5.625
Birmingham C15, S42	5.425
Buffalo R2	5.425
Cleveland R2	5.425
Ecorse, Mich. G5	5.775
Emeryville, Calif. J7	6.175
Fairfield, Ala. T2	5.425
Fairless, Pa. U5	5.575
Fontana, Calif. K1	6.125
Ft. Worth, Tex. (4) (26) T4	5.875
Gary, Ind. U5	5.425
Houston S5	5.675
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	5.425
Johnstown, Pa. B2	5.425
Joliet, Ill. P22	5.425
Kansas City, Mo. S5	5.675
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	5.425
Los Angeles B3	6.125
Milton, Pa. M18	5.575
Minnequa, Colo. C10	5.875
Niles, Calif. P1	6.125
Pittsburgh, Calif. C11	6.125
Pittsburgh J5	5.425
Portland, Ore. O4	6.175
Sand Springs, Okla. S5	5.925
Seattle B3, N14	6.175
S. Chicago, Ill. R2	5.425
S. Duquesne, Pa. U5	5.425
S. San Francisco B3	6.175
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	5.425
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	5.425
Sterling, Ill. N15	5.525
Struthers, O. Y1	5.425
Tonawanda, N.Y. B12	6.00
Torrance, Calif. C11	6.125
Youngstown R2, U5	5.425

**BARS, Reinforcing  
(Fabricated; to Consumers)**

Boston B2	7.65
Chicago U8	6.91
Cleveland U8	6.89
Johnstown, Pa. B2	7.08
Kansas City, Mo. S5	7.35
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	6.85
Marion, O. P11	6.70
Newark, N.J. U8	7.55
Philadelphia U8	7.38
Pittsburgh J5, U8	7.10
Seattle B3, N14	7.70
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2	7.08
St. Paul U8	7.92
Williamsport, Pa. S19	7.00

**BARS, Wrought Iron**

Economy, Pa. (S.R.) B14	14.45
Economy, Pa. (D.R.) B14	18.00
Economy, (Staybolt) B14	18.45

**RAIL STEEL BARS**

Chicago Hts. (3) C2, I-2	5.325
Chicago Hts. (4) (44) I-2	5.425
Chicago Hts. (4) C2	5.425
Franklin, Pa. (3) F5	5.325
Franklin, Pa. (4) F5	5.425
Jersey Shore, Pa. (3) J8	5.30
Marion, O. (3) P11	5.325
Tonawanda (3) R12	5.325
Tonawanda (4) B12	6.00
Williamsport, Pa. (3) S19	5.50

**SHEETS****SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Steel  
(18 Gage and Heavier)**

Ala. City, Ala. R2	4.925
Allenport, Pa. P7	4.925
Ashland, Ky. (8) A10	4.925
Cleveland J5, R2	4.925
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	4.975
Detroit (8) M1	5.025
Ecorse, Mich. G5	5.025
Fairfield, Ala. T2	4.925
Fairless, Pa. U5	4.975
Fontana, Calif. K1	5.825
Gary, Ind. U5	4.925
Geneva, Utah C11	5.025
Granite City, Ill. (8) G4	5.125
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	4.925
Irvin, Pa. U5	4.925
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	4.925
Mansfield, O. E6	4.925
Munhall, Pa. U5	4.925
Newport, Ky. (8) A2	4.925
Niles, O. M21, S3	4.925
Pittsburgh, Calif. C11	5.625
Pittsburgh J5	4.925
Portsmouth, O. P12	4.925
Riverdale, Ill. A1	4.925
Sharon, Pa. S3	4.925
S. Chicago, Ill. W14	4.925
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	4.925
Steubenville, O. W10	4.925
Warren, O. R2	4.925
Weirton, W. Va. W6	4.925
Youngstown U5, Y1	4.925

**SHEETS, H.R., (19 Ga. & Lighter)**

Niles, O. M21	6.05
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**SHEETS, H.R. Alloy**

Gary, Ind. U5	8.10
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	8.10
Irvin, Pa. U5	8.10
Munhall, Pa. U5	8.10
Newport, Ky. A2	8.10
Youngstown U5, Y1	8.10

**SHEETS, H.R. (14 Ga. & Heavier)  
High-Strength, Low-Alloy**

Cleveland J5, R2	7.275
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	7.325
Ecorse, Mich. G5	7.375
Fairfield, Ala. T2	7.275
Fairless, Pa. U5	7.325
Farrell, Pa. S3	7.275
Fontana, Calif. K1	8.175
Gary, Ind. U5	7.275
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	7.275
Irvin, Pa. U5	7.275
Lackawanna (35) B2	7.275
Munhall, Pa. U5	7.275
Pittsburgh J5	7.275
S. Chicago, Ill. U5, W14	7.275
Sharon, Pa. S3	7.275
Sparrows Point (36) B2	7.275
Warren, O. R2	7.275
Weirton, W. Va. W6	7.275
Youngstown U5, Y1	7.275

**SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron  
(18 Gage and Heavier)**

Ashland, Ky. (8) A10	5.175
Cleveland R2	5.675
Warren, O. R2	5.675

**SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron**

Cleveland R2	6.80
Middletown, O. A10	6.55
Warren, O. R2	6.80

**SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Steel****(Commercial Quality)**

Alabama City, Ala. R2	6.05
Allenport, Pa. P7	6.05
Cleveland J5, R2	6.05
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	6.10
Detroit M1	6.05
Ecorse, Mich. G5	6.15
Fairfield, Ala. T2	6.05
Fairless, Pa. U5	6.10
Follansbee, W. Va. F4	6.05
Fontana, Calif. K1	7.30
Gary, Ind. U5	6.05
Granite City, Ill. G4	6.25
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	6.05
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.05
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	6.05
Mansfield, O. E6	6.05
Middletown, O. A10	6.05
Newport, Ky. A2	6.05
Pittsburgh, Calif. C11	7.00
Pittsburgh J5	6.05
Portsmouth, O. P12	6.05
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	6.05
Steubenville, O. W10	6.05
Warren, O. R2	6.05
Weirton, W. Va. W6	6.05
Yorkville, O. W10	6.05
Youngstown Y1	6.05

**SHEETS, Cold-Rolled  
High-Strength, Low-Alloy**

Cleveland J5, R2	8.975
Ecorse, Mich. G5	9.075
Fairless, Pa. U5	9.025
Fontana, Calif. K1	10.275
Gary, Ind. U5	8.975
Indiana Harbor, Ind. Y1	8.975
Irvin, Pa. U5	8.975
Lackawanna (37) B2	8.975
Pittsburgh J5	8.975
Sparrows Point (38) B2	8.975
Warren, O. R2	8.975
Weirton, W. Va. W6	8.975
Youngstown Y1	8.975

**SHEETS, Culvert**

	Cu Steel	Cu Fe
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Ashland, Ky. A10	6.95	7.20
Canton, O. R2	6.95	7.45
Fairfield T2	6.95	7.20
Gary, Ind. U5	6.95	7.20
Granite City, Ill. G4	7.15	7.20
Ind. Harbor I-2	6.95	7.20
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.95	7.20
Kokomo, Ind. C16	7.05	7.20
Martins Ferry, W. Va. W10	6.95	7.20
Pitts., Calif. C11	7.70	7.20
Pittsburgh J5	6.95	7.20
Sparrows Pt. B2	6.95	7.20

**SHEETS, Aluminum Coated**

Butler, Pa. A10 (type 1)	9.25
Butler, Pa. A10 (type 2)	9.35

**SHEETS, Enameling Iron**

Ashland, Ky. A10	6.625
Cleveland R2	6.625
Gary, Ind. U5	6.625
Granite City, Ill. G4	6.825
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	6.625
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.625
Middletown, O. A10	6.625
Niles, O. M21, S3	6.625
Youngstown Y1	6.625

**SHEETS, Culvert—Pure Iron**

Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2	7.20
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**SHEETS, Galvanized Steel****Hot-Dipped**

Ala. City, Ala. R2	6.60†
Ashland, Ky. A10	6.60†
Canton, O. R2	6.60†
Dover, O. R1	6.60†
Fairfield, Ala. T2	6.60†
Gary, Ind. U5	6.60†
Granite City, Ill. G4	6.80*
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2	6.60†
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.60†
Kokomo, Ind. C16	6.70†
Martins Ferry, O. W10	6.60†
Middletown, O. A10	6.60†
Pittsburgh, Calif. C11	7.35*
Pittsburgh J5	6.60†
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2	6.60†
Warren, O. R2	6.60†
Weirton, W. Va. W6	6.60*

\*Continuous and noncontinuous. †Continuous. ‡Noncontinuous.

**SHEETS, Well Casing**

Fontana, Calif. K1	7.325
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**SHEETS, Galvanized****High-Strength, Low-Alloy**

Irvin, Pa. U5	9.725
Sparrows Pt. (39) B2	9.725

**SHEETS, Galvannealed Steel**

Canton, O. R2	7.00
Irvin, Pa. U5	7.00

**SHEETS, Galvanized Ingot Iron  
(Hot-Dipped Continuous)**

Ashland, Ky. A10	6.85
Middletown, O. A10	6.85

**SHEETS, Electrogalvanized**

Cleveland (28) R2	7.425
Niles, O. (28) R2	7.425
Weirton, W. Va. W6	7.275

**SHEETS, Aluminum Coated**

Butler, Pa. A10 (type 1)	9.25
Butler, Pa. A10 (type 2)	9.35

**SHEETS, Enameling Iron**

Ashland, Ky. A10	6.625
Cleveland R2	6.625
Gary, Ind. U5	6.625
Granite City, Ill. G4	6.825
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	6.625
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.625
Middletown, O. A10	6.625
Niles, O. M21, S3	6.625
Youngstown Y1	6.625

**BLUED STOCK, 29 Gage**

Follansbee, W. Va. F4	8.65
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2	8.475
Yorkville, O. W10	8.475

**SHEETS, Long Terne Steel****(Commercial Quality)**

Beech Bottom, W. Va. W10	7.00
Gary, Ind. U5	7.00
Mansfield, O. E6	7.00
Middletown, O. A10	7.00
Niles, O. M21, S3	7.00
Warren, O. R2	7.00
Weirton, W. Va. W6	7.00

**SHEETS, Long Terne, Ingot Iron**

Middletown, O. A10	7.40
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**Key to Producers**

A1 Acme Steel Co.	C20 Cuyahoga Steel & Wire	J1 Jackson Iron & Steel Co.	P1 Pacific States Steel Corp.	S25 Stainless Welded Prod.
A2 Acme-Newport Steel Co.	C22 Claymont Plant, Wick-	J3 Jessop Steel Co.	P2 Pacific Tube Co.	S26 Specialty Wire Co. Inc.
A3 Alan Wood Steel Co.	wire Spencer Steel Div.,	J4 Johnson Steel & Wire Co.	P4 Phoenix Iron & Steel Co.,	S30 Sierra Drawn Steel Corp.
A4 Allegheny Ludlum Steel	Colo. Fuel & Iron	J5 Jones & Laughlin Steel	Sub. of Barium Steel	S40 Seneca Steel Service
A5 Alloy Metal Wire Div.,	C23 Charter Wire Inc.	J6 Joslyn Mfg. & Supply	Corp.	S41 Stainless Steel Div.,
H. K. Porter Co. Inc.	C24 G. O. Carlson Inc.	J7 Judson Steel Corp.	P5 Pilgrim Drawn Steel	J&L Steel Corp.
A6 American Shim Steel Co.	C32 Carpenter Steel of N. Eng.	J8 Jersey Shore Steel Co.	P6 Pittsburgh Coke & Chem.	S42 Southern Elec. Steel Co.
A7 American Steel & Wire	D2 Detroit Steel Corp.	K1 Kaiser Steel Corp.	P7 Pittsburgh Steel Co.	T2 Tenn. Coal & Iron Div.,
Div., U. S. Steel Corp.	D3 Dearborn Div., Sharon	K2 Keokuk Electro-Metals	P11 Pollak Steel Co.	U. S. Steel Corp.
A8 Anchor Drawn Steel Co.	Steel Corp.	K3 Keystone Drawn Steel	P12 Portsmouth Div.,	T3 Tenn. Prod. & Chem.
A9 Angell Nail & Chaplet	D4 Disston Div., H. K. Por-	K4 Keystone Steel & Wire	Detroit Steel Corp.	T4 Texas Steel Co.
A10 Armco Steel Corp.	ter Co. Inc.	K7 Kenmore Metals Corp.	P13 Precision Drawn Steel	T5 Thomas Strip Div.,
A11 Atlantic Steel Co.	D6 Driver-Harris Co.	L1 Laclede Steel Co.	P14 Pitts. Screw & Bolt Co.	Pittsburgh Steel Co.
B1 Babcock & Wilcox Co.	D7 Dickson Weatherproof	L2 LaSalle Steel Co.	P15 Pittsburgh Metallurgical	T6 Thompson Wire Co.
B2 Bethlehem Steel Corp.	Nail Co.	L3 Latrobe Steel Co.	P16 Page Steel & Wire Div.,	T7 Timken Roller Bearing
B3 Beth. Pac. Coast Steel	D8 Damascus Tube Co.	L6 Lone Star Steel Co.	Amer. Chain & Cable	T9 Tonawanda Iron Div.,
B4 Blair Strip Steel Co.	D9 Wilbur B. Driver Co.	L7 Lukens Steel Co.	P17 Plymouth Steel Co.	Am. Rad. & Stan. San.
B5 Bliss & Laughlin Inc.	E1 Eastern Gas & Fuel Assoc.	M1 McLouth Steel Corp.	P19 Pitts. Rolling Mills	T13 Tube Methods Inc.
B8 Braeburn Alloy Steel	E2 Eastern Stainless Steel	M4 Mahoning Valley Steel	P20 Prod. Steel Strip Corp.	T19 Techalloy Co. Inc.
B9 Brainerd Steel Div.,	E4 Electro Metallurgical Co.	M6 Mercer Pipe Div., Saw-	P22 Phoenix Mfg. Co.	U4 Universal-Cyclops Steel
Sharon Steel Corp.	E5 Elliott Bros. Steel Co.	hill Tubular Products	P24 Phil. Steel & Wire Corp.	U5 United States Steel Corp.
B10 E. & G. Brooke, Wick-	E6 Empire Steel Corp.	M8 Mid-States Steel & Wire	R1 Reeves Steel & Mfg. Co.	U6 U. S. Pipe & Foundry
wire Spencer Steel Div.,	F2 Firth Sterling Inc.	M12 Moltrup Steel Products	R2 Republic Steel Corp.	U7 Ubrich Stainless Steels
Colo. Fuel & Iron	F3 Fitzsimmons Steel Co.	M14 McInnes Steel Co.	R3 Rhode Island Steel Corp.	U8 U. S. Steel Supply Div.,
B11 Buffalo Bolt Co., Div.,	F4 Follansbee Steel Corp.	M16 Mc.Pine & Special. Wire	R5 Roebling's Sons, John A.	U. S. Steel Corp.
Buffalo-Eclipse Corp.	F5 Franklin Steel Div.,	M17 Metal Forming Corp.	R6 Rome Strip Steel Co.	V2 Vanadium-Alloys Steel
B12 Buffalo Steel Corp.	Borg-Warner Corp.	M18 Milton Steel Div.,	R8 Reliance Div., Eaton Mfg.	V3 Vulcan Crucible Div.,
B14 A. M. Byers Co.	F6 Fretz-Moon Tube Co.	Merritt-Chapman & Scott	R9 Rome Mfg. Co.	H. K. Porter Co. Inc.
B15 J. Bishop & Co.	F7 Ft. Howard Steel & Wire	M21 Mallory-Sharon	R10 Rodney Metals Inc.	W1 Wallace Barnes Co.
C1 Calstrip Steel Corp.	F8 Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.	Titanium Corp.	S1 Seneca Wire & Mfg. Co.	W2 Wallingford Steel Co.
C2 Calumet Steel Div.,	G4 Granite City Steel Co.	M22 Mill Strip Products Co.	S3 Sharon Steel Corp.	W3 Washburn Wire Co.
Borg-Warner Corp.	G5 Great Lakes Steel Corp.	N1 National Standard Co.	S4 Sharon Tube Co.	W4 Washington Steel Corp.
C4 Carpenter Steel Co.	G6 Greer Steel Co.	N2 National Supply Co.	S5 Sheffield Steel Div.,	W6 Weirton Steel Co.
C7 Cleve. Cold Rolling Mills	G8 Green River Steel Corp.	N3 National Tube Div.,	Armco Steel Corp.	W8 Western Automatic
C9 Colonial Steel Co.	H1 Hanna Furnace Corp.	U. S. Steel Corp.	S6 Shenango Furnace Co.	Machine Screw Co.
C10 Colorado Fuel & Iron	H7 Helical Tube Co.	N5 Nelson Steel & Wire Co.	S7 Simmons Co.	W9 Wheeland Tube Co.
C11 Columbia-Geneva Steel	I-1 Igoe Bros. Inc.	N6 New England High	S8 Simmonds Saw & Steel Co.	W10 Wheeling Steel Corp.
C12 Columbia Steel & Shaft.	I-2 Inland Steel Co.	Carbon Wire Co.	S12 Spencer Wire Corp.	W12 Wickwire Spencer Steel
C13 Columbia Tool Steel Co.	I-3 Interlake Iron Corp.	N8 Newman-Crosby Steel	S13 Standard Forgings Corp.	Div., Colo. Fuel & Iron
C14 Compressed Steel Shaft.	I-4 Ingersoll Steel Div.,	N9 Newport Steel Corp.	S14 Standard Tube Co.	W13 Wilson Steel & Wire Co.
C15 Connors Steel Div.,	Borg-Warner Corp.	N14 Northwest Steel Roll Mill	S15 Stanley Works	W14 Wisconsin Steel Div.,
H. K. Porter Co. Inc.	I-6 Ivins, E., Steel Tube	N15 Northwestern S.&W. Co.	S17 Superior Drawn Steel Co.	International Harvester
C16 Continental Steel Corp.	I-7 Indiana Steel & Wire Co.	O4 Oregon Steel Mills	S18 Superior Steel Div.,	W15 Woodward Iron Co.
C17 Copperweld Steel Co.			Copperweld Steel Co.	W18 Wyckoff Steel Co.
C18 Crucible Steel Co.			S19 Sweet's Steel Co.	Y1 Youngstown Sheet & Tube
C19 Cumberland Steel Co.			S20 Southern States Steel	
			S23 Superior Tube Co.	



## STRIP

### STRIP, Hot-Rolled Carbon

Ala. City, Ala. (27) R2	4.925
Allentown, Pa. P7	4.925
Alton, Ill. L1	5.125
Ashland, Ky. (8) A10	4.925
Atlanta A11	5.125
Bessemer, Ala. T2	4.925
Birmingham C15	4.925
Buffalo (27) R2	4.925
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	4.975
Detroit M1	5.025
Ecorse, Mich. G5	5.025
Fairfield, Ala. T2	4.925
Fontana, Calif. K1	5.825
Gary, Ind. U5	4.925
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	4.925
Johnstown, Pa. (25) B2	4.925
Lackawanna, N.Y. (25) B2	4.925
Los Angeles (25) B3	5.675
Minneapolis, Colo. C10	6.025
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	5.675
Riverdale, Ill. A1	4.925
San Francisco S7	6.35
Seattle (25) B3	6.35
Seattle N14	6.35
Sharon, Pa. S3	4.925
S. San Francisco (25) B3	5.675
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	4.925
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	4.925
Sterling, Ill. N15	5.025
Torrance, Calif. C11	5.675
Warren, O. R2	4.925
Weirton, W. Va. W6	4.925
Youngstown U5	4.925

### STRIP, Hot-Rolled Alloy

Carnegie, Pa. S18	8.10
Farrell, Pa. S3	8.10
Gary, Ind. U5	8.10
Houston S5	8.10
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	8.10
Kansas City, Mo. S5	8.35
Los Angeles B3	9.30
Lowellville, O. S3	8.10
Newport, Ky. A2	8.10
Sharon, Pa. A2	8.10
S. Chicago, Ill. W14	8.10
Youngstown U5, Y1	8.10

### STRIP, Hot-Rolled High-Strength, Low-Alloy

Bessemer, Ala. T2	7.325
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	7.325
Ecorse, Mich. G5	7.425
Fairfield, Ala. T2	7.325
Farrell, Pa. S3	7.325
Gary, Ind. U5	7.325
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	7.325
Lackawanna, N.Y. B2	7.325
Los Angeles (25) B3	8.075
Seattle (25) B3	8.325
Sharon, Pa. S3	7.325
S. Chicago, Ill. W14	7.325
S. San Francisco (25) B3	8.075
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	7.325
Warren, O. R2	7.325
Weirton, W. Va. W6	7.325
Youngstown U5, Y1	7.325

### STRIP, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron

Ashland, Ky. (8) A10	5.175
Warren, O. R2	5.675

### STRIP, Cold-Rolled Carbon

Anderson, Ind. G6	7.15
Baltimore T6	7.15
Boston T6	7.70
Buffalo S40	7.15
Cleveland A7, J5	7.15
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	7.20
Dearborn, Mich. D3	7.25
Detroit D2, M1, P20	7.25
Dover, O. G6	7.15
Ecorse, Mich. G5	7.25
Evanston, Ill. M22	7.25
Follansbee, W. Va. F4	7.15
Fontana, Calif. K1	9.00
Franklin Park, Ill. T6	7.25
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	7.15
Indianapolis J5	7.30
Los Angeles J5	9.05
Los Angeles C1	9.20
New Bedford, Mass. R10	7.60
New Britain (10) S15	7.15
New Castle, Pa. B4, E5	7.15
New Haven, Conn. D2	7.60
New Kensington, Pa. A6	7.15
Pawtucket, R.I. R3	7.80
Pawtucket, R.I. N8	7.70
Philadelphia (45) P24	7.70
Pittsburgh J5	7.15
Riverdale, Ill. A1	7.25
Rome, N.Y. (32) R6	7.15
Sharon, Pa. S3	7.15
Trenton, N.J. (31) R5	8.60
Wallingford, Conn. W2	7.60
Warren, O. R2, T5	7.15
Weirton, W. Va. W6	7.15
Worcester, Mass. A7	7.70
Youngstown J5, Y1	7.15

## STRIP, Cold-Rolled Alloy

Boston T6	15.40
Carnegie, Pa. S18	15.05
Cleveland A7	15.05
Dover, O. G6	15.05
Farrell, Pa. S3	15.05
Franklin Park, Ill. T6	15.05
Harrison, N.J. C18	15.05
Indianapolis J5	15.20
Lowellville, O. S3	15.05
Pawtucket, R.I. N8	15.40
Riverdale, Ill. A1	15.05
Sharon, Pa. S3	15.05
Worcester, Mass. A7	15.35
Youngstown J5	15.05

## STRIP, Cold-Rolled High-Strength, Low-Alloy

Cleveland A7	10.45
Dearborn, Mich. D3	10.60
Dover, O. G6	10.45
Ecorse, Mich. G5	10.55
Farrell, Pa. S3	10.50
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	10.65
Sharon, Pa. S3	10.50
Warren, O. R2	10.45

## STRIP, Cold-Finished Spring Steel (Annealed)

Baltimore T6	9.50	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.85
Boston T6	9.50	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.85
Bristol, Conn. W1	9.50	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.85
Carnegie, Pa. S18	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Cleveland A7	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Dearborn, Mich. D3	9.05	10.50	12.70	15.70	18.55
Detroit D2	9.05	10.50	12.70	15.70	18.55
Dover, O. G6	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Evanston, Ill. M22	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Fostoria, O. S1	10.05	11.15	13.10	16.10	18.55
Franklin Park, Ill. T6	9.05	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Harrison, N.J. C18	9.05	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Indianapolis J5	9.10	10.55	12.60	15.60	18.55
Los Angeles C1	11.15	12.60	14.80	17.80	18.55
Los Angeles J5	11.15	12.60	14.80	17.80	18.55
New Britain, Conn. (10) S15	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
New Castle, Pa. B4, E5	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
New Haven, Conn. D2	9.40	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.55
New Kensington, Pa. A6	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
New York W3	9.40	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.55
Pawtucket, R.I. N8	9.50	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.55
Riverdale, Ill. A1	9.05	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Rome, N.Y. (32) R6	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Sharon, Pa. S3	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Trenton, N.J. R5	9.40	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.55
Wallingford, Conn. W2	9.40	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.55
Warren, O. T5	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55
Worcester, Mass. A7, T6	9.50	10.70	12.90	15.90	18.55
Youngstown J5	8.95	10.40	12.60	15.60	18.55

## Spring Steel (Tempered)

Bristol, Conn. W1	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Buffalo W12	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Fostoria, O. S1	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Franklin Park, Ill. T6	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Harrison, N.J. C18	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
New York W3	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Palmer, Mass. W12	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Trenton, N.J. R5	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Worcester, Mass. A7, T6	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00
Youngstown J5	18.10	21.95	26.30	30.65	35.00

## SILICON STEEL

### H.R. SHEETS (22 Ga., cut lengths)

Field	Arma- ture	Elec- tric	Motor	Dyna- mo
Beech Bottom, W. Va. W10	11.80	12.90	13.95	15.00
Mansfield, O. E6	9.625	11.10	11.80	12.90
Newport, Ky. A2	9.625	11.10	11.80	12.90
Niles, O. M21, S3	9.625	11.10	11.80	12.90
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	11.10	11.80	12.90	13.95
Warren, O. R2	9.625	11.10	11.80	12.90
Zanesville, O. A10	11.10	11.80	12.90	13.95
Zanesville, O. A10 (SP Coils)	11.10	11.80	12.90	13.95

### C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS (22 Ga.)

Field	Arma- ture	Elec- tric	Motor	Dyna- mo
Beech Bottom, W. Va. W10	11.35	12.05	13.15	14.20
Brackenridge, Pa. A4	12.05	13.15	14.20	15.25
Granite City, Ill. G4	9.825*11.05*	11.75*	12.85*	13.90*
Indiana Harbor, Ind. I-2	9.625*10.85*	11.55*	12.65*	13.70*
Mansfield, O. E6	9.625*11.35	12.05	13.15	14.20
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	9.625*11.35	12.05	13.15	14.20
Warren, O. R2	9.625*11.35	12.05	13.15	14.20
Zanesville, O. A10 (FP Coils)	11.35	12.05	13.15	14.20

### H.R. SHEETS (22 Ga., cut lengths)

Field	Arma- ture	Elec- tric	Motor	Dyna- mo
Beech Bottom, W. Va. W10	15.00	15.55	16.05	17.10
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	14.75	15.55	16.05	17.10
Zanesville, O. A10	15.00	15.55	16.05	17.10

### C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS (22 Ga.)

T-100	T-90	T-80	T-73	T-66	T-72
Brackenridge, Pa. A4	17.60	19.20	19.70	20.20	20.70
Butler, Pa. A10	19.20	19.70	20.20	20.70	21.20
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	16.60	17.60	18.20	18.70	19.20
Warren, O. R2	19.20	19.70	20.20	20.70	21.20

\*Semi-processed. †Fully processed only. ‡Coils, annealed, semiprocessed 1/2c lower. \*\*Cut lengths, 1/4-cent lower.

## Weirton, W. Va. W6

Youngstown Y1 10.65

## STRIP, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron

Warren, O. R2 7.90

## STRIP, C.R. Electrogalvanized

Cleveland A7	7.15*
Dover, O. G6	7.15*
Evanston, Ill. M22	7.25*
Riverdale, Ill. A1	7.25*
Warren, O. B9, T5	7.15*
Worcester, Mass. A7	7.70*
Youngstown J5	7.15*

\*Plus galvanizing extras.

## STRIP, Galvanized (Continuous)

Sharon, Pa. S3 7.275

## TIGHT COOPERAGE HOOP

Atlanta A11	5.65
Riverdale, Ill. A1	5.50
Sharon, Pa. S3	5.35
Youngstown U5	5.35

## TIN MILL PRODUCTS

### TIN PLATE, Electrolytic (Base Box)

	0.25 lb	0.50 lb	0.75 lb
Albuquerque, Pa. J5	\$8.75	\$9.00	\$9.40
Fairfield, Ala. T2	8.85	9.10	9.50
Fairless, Pa. U5	8.85	9.10	9.50
Fontana, Calif. K1	9.50	9.75	10.15
Gary, Ind. U5	8.75	9.00	9.40
Granite City, Ill. G4	8.85	9.10	9.50
Indiana Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	8.75	9.00	9.40
Irvin, Pa. U5	8.75	9.00	9.40
Niles, O. R2	8.75	9.00	9.40
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	9.50	9.75	10.15
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	8.85	9.10	9.50
Weirton, W. Va. W6	8.75	9.00	9.40
Yorkville, O. W10	8.75	9.00	9.40

### ELECTROTIN (22-27 Gage; Dollars per 100 lb)

Albuquerque, Pa. J5	7.725	7.925	8.125
Niles, O. R2	7.725	7.925	8.125

### TIN PLATE, American 1.25 1.50 1b

Albuquerque, Pa. J5	\$10.05	\$10.30
Fairfield, Ala. T2	10.15	10.40
Fairless, Pa. U5	10.15	10.40
Fontana, Calif. K1	10.80	11.05
Gary, Ind. U5	10.05	10.30
Irvin, Pa. U5	10.05	10.30
Pitts., Calif. C11	10.80	11.05
Sp. Pt., Md. B2	10.15	10.40
Weirton, W. Va. W6	10.05	10.30
Yorkville, O. W10	10.05	10.30

### BLACK PLATE (Base Box)

Albuquerque, Pa. J5	\$7.85
Fairfield, Ala. T2	7.95
Fairless, Pa. U5	7.95
Fontana, Calif. K1	8.60
Gary, Ind. U5	8.60
Granite City, Ill. G4	7.95
Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	7.85
Irvin, Pa. U5	7.85

## WIRE

### WIRE, Manufacturers Bright, Low Carbon

Alabama City, Ala. R2	7.65
Albuquerque, Pa. J5	7.65
Alton, Ill. L1	7.85
Atlanta A11	7.85
Bartonsville, Ill. K4	7.75
Buffalo W12	7.65
Chicago W13	7.65
Cleveland A7, C20	7.65
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	7.75
Donora, Pa. A7	7.65
Duluth A7	7.65
Fairfield, Ala. T2	7.65
Fostoria, O. (24) S1	7.75
Houston S5	7.90
Jacksonville, Fla. M8	8.00
Johnstown, Pa. B2	7.65
Joliet, Ill. A7	7.65
Kansas City, Mo. S5	7.90
Kokomo, Ind. C16	7.75
Los Angeles B3	8.60
Minneapolis, Colo. C10	7.90
Monessen, Pa. P7, P16	7.65
N. Tonawanda, N.Y. B11	7.65
Palmer, Mass. W12	7.95
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	8.60
Portsmouth, O. P12	7.65
Rankin, Pa. A7	7.65
S. Chicago, Ill. R2	7.65
S. San Francisco C10	8.60
Sparrows Point, Md. B2	7.75
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	7.65
Sterling, Ill. N15	7.75
Struthers, O. Y1	7.65
Waukegan, Ill. A7	7.65
Worcester, Mass. A7	7.95

### WIRE, Gal'd ACSR for Cores

Bartonsville, Ill
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<div><div><div><div>WIRE, Tire Bead</div><div>Bartonville, Ill. K4</div><div>.....16.55</div></div><div><div>Monessen, Pa. P16</div><div>.....16.55</div></div><div><div>Boehling, N.J. R5</div><div>.....17.05</div></div></div><div><div><div>WIRE, Cold-Rolled Flat</div><div>Anderson, Ind. G6</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Baltimore T6</div><div>.....11.95</div></div><div><div>Boston T6</div><div>.....11.95</div></div><div><div>Buffalo W12</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Chicago W13</div><div>.....11.75</div></div><div><div>Cleveland A7</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Crawfordsville, Ind. M8</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Dover, O. G6</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Postoria, O. S1</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Franklin Park, Ill. T6</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Kokomo, Ind. C16</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Massillon, O. R8</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Millwaukee C23</div><div>.....11.85</div></div><div><div>Monessen, Pa. P7, P16</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Palmer, Mass. W12</div><div>.....11.95</div></div><div><div>Pawtucket, R.I. N8</div><div>.....11.95</div></div><div><div>Philadelphia P24</div><div>.....11.95</div></div><div><div>Riverdale, Ill. A1</div><div>.....11.75</div></div><div><div>Rome, N.Y. R6</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Sharon, Pa. S3</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Trenton, N.J. R5</div><div>.....11.95</div></div><div><div>Warren, O. B9</div><div>.....11.65</div></div><div><div>Worcester, Mass. A7, T6</div><div>.....11.95</div></div></div></div> <div><div><div>NAILS, Stock Col.</div><div>Alabama City, Ala. R2</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Alliquippa, Pa. J5</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Atlanta A11</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Bartonville, Ill. K4</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Chicago W13</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Cleveland A9</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Crawfordsville, Ind. M8</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Donora, Pa. A7</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Duluth A7</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Fairfield, Ala. T2</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Houston S5</div><div>.....178</div></div><div><div>Jacksonville, Fla. (20) M8</div><div>.....184</div></div><div><div>Johnstown, Pa. B2</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Joliet, Ill. A7</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Kansas City, Mo. S5</div><div>.....178</div></div><div><div>Kokomo, Ind. C16</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Minnequa, Colo. C10</div><div>.....178</div></div><div><div>Monessen, Pa. P7</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Pittsburg, Calif. C11</div><div>.....192</div></div><div><div>Rankin, Pa. A7</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>S. Chicago, Ill. R2</div><div>.....173</div></div><div><div>Sparrows Pt., Md. B2</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Sterling, Ill. (7) N15</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Worcester, Mass. A7</div><div>.....179</div></div></div> <div><div><div>(To Wholesalers; per cwt)</div><div>Galveston, Tex. D7</div><div>.....\$9.10</div></div></div> <div><div><div>NAILS, Cut (100 lb keg)</div><div>To Dealers (33)</div><div>Conshohocken, Pa. A3</div><div>.....\$9.80</div></div><div><div>Wheeling, W. Va. W10</div><div>.....9.80</div></div></div> <div><div><div>POLISHED STAPLES Col.</div><div>Alabama City, Ala. R2</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Alliquippa, Pa. J5</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Atlanta A11</div><div>.....177</div></div><div><div>Bartonville, Ill. K4</div><div>.....177</div></div><div><div>Crawfordsville, Ind. M8</div><div>.....177</div></div><div><div>Donora, Pa. A7</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Duluth A7</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Fairfield, Ala. T2</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Jacksonville, Fla. (20) M8</div><div>.....186</div></div><div><div>Johnstown, Pa. B2</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Joliet, Ill. A7</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Kokomo, Ind. C6</div><div>.....177</div></div><div><div>Minnequa, Colo. C10</div><div>.....180</div></div><div><div>Pittsburg, Calif. C11</div><div>.....194</div></div><div><div>Rankin, Pa. A7</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>S. Chicago, Ill. R2</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Sparrows Pt., Md. B2</div><div>.....177</div></div><div><div>Sterling, Ill. (7) N15</div><div>.....175</div></div><div><div>Worcester, Mass. A7</div><div>.....181</div></div></div>
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TIE WIRE, Automatic Baler (14 1/2 Ga.) (Per 97 lb Net Box)

Coil No. 3150

Alabama City, Ala. R2

.....\$10.26

Atlanta A11

.....10.36

Bartonville, Ill. K4

.....10.36

Buffalo W12

.....10.26

Chicago W13

.....10.26

Crawfordsville, Ind. M8

.....10.36

Donora, Pa. A7

.....10.26

Duluth A7

.....10.26

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....10.26

Houston S5

.....10.51

Jacksonville, Fla. M8

.....10.82

Johnstown, Pa. B2

.....10.26

Joliet, Ill. A7

.....10.26

Kansas City, Mo. S5

.....10.51

Kokomo, Ind. C16

.....10.36

Los Angeles B3

.....11.05

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....10.51

Pittsburg, Calif. C11

.....11.04

S. Chicago, Ill. R2

.....10.26

S. San Francisco C10

.....11.04

Sparrows Pt., Md. B2

.....10.36

Sterling, Ill. (37) N15

.....10.36

Coil No. 6500 Stand.

Alabama City, Ala. R2

.....\$10.60

Atlanta A11

.....10.70

Bartonville, Ill. K4

.....10.70

Buffalo W12

.....10.60

Chicago W13

.....10.60

Crawfordsville, Ind. M8

.....10.70

Donora, Pa. A7

.....10.60

Duluth A7

.....10.60

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....10.60

Houston S5

.....10.85

Jacksonville, Fla. M8

.....11.16

Johnstown, Pa. B2

.....10.60

Joliet, Ill. A7

.....10.60

Kansas City, Mo. S5

.....10.85

Kokomo, Ind. C16

.....10.70

Los Angeles B3

.....11.40

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....10.85

Pittsburg, Calif. C11

.....11.40

S. Chicago, Ill. R2

.....10.60

S. San Francisco C10

.....11.40

Sparrows Pt., Md. B2

.....10.70

Sterling, Ill. (37) N15

.....10.70

Coil No. 6500 Interim

Alabama City, Ala. R2

.....\$10.65

Atlanta A11

.....10.75

Bartonville, Ill. K4

.....10.75

Buffalo W12

.....10.65

Chicago W13

.....10.65

Crawfordsville, Ind. M8

.....10.75

Donora, Pa. A7

.....10.65

Duluth A7

.....10.65

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....10.65

Houston S5

.....10.90

Jacksonville, Fla. M8

.....11.21

Johnstown, Pa. B2

.....10.65

Joliet, Ill. A7

.....10.65

Kansas City, Mo. S5

.....10.90

Kokomo, Ind. C16

.....10.75

Los Angeles B3

.....11.45

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....10.90

Pittsburg, Calif. C11

.....11.45

S. Chicago, Ill. R2

.....10.65

S. San Francisco C10

.....11.45

Sparrows Pt., Md. B2

.....10.75

Sterling, Ill. (37) N15

.....10.75

BALE TIES, Single Loop Col.

Alabama City, Ala. R2

.....212

Atlanta A11

.....214

Bartonville, Ill. K4

.....214

Crawfordsville, Ind. M8

.....214

Donora, Pa. A7

.....212

Duluth A7

.....212

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....212

Houston S5

.....217

Jacksonville, Fla. M8

.....219

Joliet, Ill. A7

.....212

Kansas City, Mo. S5

.....217

Kokomo, Ind. C16

.....214

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....217

Pittsburg, Calif. C11

.....236

S. San Francisco C10

.....236

Sparrows Pt., Md. B2

.....214

Sterling, Ill. (7) N15

.....214

Williamsport, Pa. S19

.....215

FENCE POSTS

Birmingham C15

.....171

Chicago Hts., Ill. C2, I-2

.....172

Duluth A7

.....172

Franklin, Pa. F5

.....172

Huntington, W. Va. C15

.....171

Johnstown, Pa. B2

.....172

Marion, O. P11

.....177

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....172

Sterling, Ill. (1) N15

.....172

Tonawanda, N.Y. B12

.....174

WIRE, Barbed Col.

Alabama City, Ala. R2

.....193\*\*

Alliquippa, Pa. J5

.....190\*

Atlanta A11

.....198\*

Bartonville, Ill. K4

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Crawfordsville, Ind. M8

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Donora, Pa. A7

.....193\*

Duluth A7

.....193\*

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....193\*

Houston S5

.....198\*\*

Jacksonville, Fla. M8

.....203

Johnstown, Pa. B2

.....196\*

Joliet, Ill. A7

.....193\*

Kansas City, Mo. S5

.....198\*\*

Kokomo, Ind. C16

.....195\*

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....198\*\*

Monessen, Pa. P7

.....196\*

Pittsburg, Calif. C11

.....213\*

Rankin, Pa. A7

.....193\*

S. Chicago, Ill. R2

.....193\*\*

S. San Francisco C10

.....213\*\*

Sparrows Point, Md. B2

.....198\*

Sterling, Ill. (7) N15

.....198\*

WOVEN FENCE, 9-15 Ga. Col.

Ala. City, Ala. R2

.....187\*\*

Alig' ppa, Pa. 9-14 1/2 ga. J5

.....190\*

Atlanta A11

.....192\*

Bartonville, Ill. K4

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Crawfordsville, Ind. M8

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Donora, Pa. A7

.....187\*

Duluth A7

.....187\*

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....187\*

Houston S5

.....192\*\*

Jacksonville, Fla. M8

.....197

Johnstown, Pa. (43) B2

.....190\*

Joliet, Ill. A7

.....187\*

Kansas City, Mo. S5

.....192\*\*

Kokomo, Ind. C16

.....189\*

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....192\*\*

Pittsburg, Calif. C11

.....210\*

Rankin, Pa. A7

.....187\*

S. Chicago, Ill. R2

.....187\*\*

Sterling, Ill. (7) N15

.....192\*

WIRE (16 gage) Stone Galv.

Ala. City, Ala. R2

.....17.15

Alliquippa, Pa. J5

.....17.15

Bartonville K4

.....17.25

Cleveland A7

.....17.15

Crawfordsville M8

17.25

19.05

Houston S5

.....17.40

18.95\*\*

Jacksonville M8

17.15

19.30

Johnstown B2

.....17.15

18.95\*

Kan. City, Mo. S5

17.40

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Kokomo C16

.....17.25

18.80\*

Minnequa C10

.....17.40

18.95\*\*

P'm'r, Mass. W12

17.45

19.00\*

Pitts., Calif. C11

17.50

19.05\*

Sparrows Pt. B2

17.25

19.05\*

Sterling (37) N15

17.25

19.05\*

Waukegan A7

.....17.15

18.70\*

Worcester A7

.....17.45

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Hex Nuts, Semifinished, Heavy (Incl. Slotted):

% in. and smaller..

60.5

% in. to 1 1/2 in., incl.

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55.5

1 in. and larger..

53.5

Hex Nuts, Finished (Incl. Slotted and Castellated):

1 in. and smaller..

63.0

1 1/2 in. to 1 1/2 in., incl.

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59.0

1 in. and larger..

53.5

Semifinished Hex Nuts, Reg. (Incl. Slotted):

% in. and smaller..

60.5

% in. to 1 in., incl.

63.0

1 1/2 in. to 1 1/2 in., incl.

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59.0

1 in. and larger..

53.5

CAP AND SETSCREWS (Base discounts, packages, per cent off list, f.o.b. mill)

Hex Head Capscrews, Coarse or Fine Thread, Bright:

6 in. and shorter:

% in. and smaller..

40.0

% in. to 1 in.

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22.0

1 in. and larger..

22.0

Longer than 6 in.:

% in. and smaller..

8.0

% in. to 1 in., incl.

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6.0

1 in. and larger..

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32.0

Flat Head Capscrews:

% in. and smaller..

+76.0

Set Screws, Square Head, Cup Point, Coarse Thread:

Through 1 in. diam.:

6 in. and shorter..

Net

Longer than 6 in..

+23

RIVETS

F.o.b. Cleveland and/or freight equalized with Pittsburgh, f.o.b. Chicago and/or freight equalized with Birmingham except where equalization is too great.

Structural 1/2 in., larger 12.25

1/2 in. under: List less 19%

BOILER TUBES

Net base c.l. prices, dollars per 100 ft. mill; minimum wall thickness, cut lengths 10 to 24 ft. inclusive.

O.D.

In.

B.W. Gage

Seamless

C.D.

H.R.

Elec. Weld

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4 1/2

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56.04

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46.05

5

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59.76

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49.88

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70.03

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53.19

RAILWAY MATERIALS

Standard

Tee Rails

No. 1

No. 2

All 60 lb

Under

Bessemer, Pa. U5

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Ensley, Ala. T2

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Fairfield, Ala. T2

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Gary, Ind. U5

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Huntington, W. Va. C15

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Indiana Harbor, Ind. I-2

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Johnstown, Pa. B2

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Lackawanna, N.Y. B2

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Minnequa, Colo. C10

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5.525

5.425

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7.00

Steelton, Pa. B2

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

Williamsport, Pa. S19

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5.525

5.425

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6.50

TIE PLATES

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....6.60

Gary, Ind. U5

.....6.60

Fairfield, Ind. I-2

.....6.60

Lackawanna, N.Y. B2

.....6.60

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....6.60

Seattle B3

.....6.75

Steelton, Pa. B2

.....6.60

Torrance, Calif. C11

.....6.75

JOINT BARS

Bessemer, Pa. U5

.....6.975

Fairfield, Ala. T2

.....6.975

Ind. Harbor, Ind. I-2

.....6.975

Joliet, Ill. U5

.....6.975

Lackawanna, N.Y. B2

.....6.975

Minnequa, Colo. C10

.....6.975

Steelton, Pa. B2

.....6.975

AXLES

Ind. Harbor, Ind. S13

.....8.775

Johnstown, Pa. B2

.....8.775

Footnotes

(1) Chicago base.

(2) Angles, flats, bands.

(3) Merchant.

(4) Reinforcing.

(5) 1 1/2 to under 1 7/16 in.; 1 7/16 to under 1 15/16 in.; 1 15/16 to 8 in., inclusive, 7.05c.

(6) Chicago or Birm. base.

(7) Chicago base 2 cts. lower.

(8) 13 Ga. and heavier.

(9) Merchant quality; and 0.35c for special quality.

(10) Pittsburgh base.

(11) Cleveland & Pitts. base.

(12) Worcester, Mass. base.

(13) Add 0.25c for 17 Ga. & heavier.

(14) Gage 0.143 to 0.249 in.; for gage 0.142 and lighter, 5.80c.

(15) " " and thinner.

(16) 40 lb and under.

(17) Flats only; 0.25 in. & heavier.

(18) To dealers.

(19) Chicago & Pitts. base.

(20) Plus 1c per 100 lb.

(21) New Haven, Conn. base.

(22) Deid. San Francisco Bay area.

(23) Special quality.

(24) Deduct 0.15c, finer than 15 Ga.

(25) Bar mill bands.

(26) Bar mill sizes.

(27) Banded.

(28) Youngstown base.

(29) Sheared; for universal mill add 0.45c.

(30) Widths over 7/8 in.; 7.60c. for widths 7/8 in. and under.

(31) Buffalo base.

(32) To jobbers, deduct 20c.

(33) 9.60c for cut lengths.

(34) 72" and narrower.

(35) 54" and narrower.

(36) Chicago base, 10 points lower.

(37) 14 Ga. & lighter; 48" & narrower.

(38) 48" and narrower.

(39) Lighter than 0.035"; 0.035" and heavier, 0.25c higher.

(40) 9.10c for cut lengths.

(41) Mill lengths, f.o.b. mill; deld. in mill zone or within switching limits, 5.685c.

(42) 9-14 1/2 Ga.

(43) To fabricators.

(44) 0.022 in. and lighter, over 0.022", 8.20c.

(45) 6-7 Ga.

(46) 3/4 in. and smaller rounds; 3.90c, over 3/4 in. and other shapes.



## SEAMLESS STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Size—Inches .....	2	2½	3	3½	4	5	6	
List Per Ft .....	37c	58.5c	76.5c	92c	\$1.09	\$1.48	\$1.92	
Pounds Per Ft .....	3.68	5.82	7.62	9.20	10.89	14.81	19.18	
	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*
Alliquippa, Pa. J5 .....	+9.25	+24.25	+2.75	+19.5	+0.25	+17	1.25	+15.5
Ambridge, Pa. N2 .....	+9.25	.....	+2.75	.....	+0.25	.....	1.25	.....
Lorain, O. N3 .....	+9.25	+24.25	+2.75	+19.5	+0.25	+17	1.25	+15.5
Youngstown Y1 .....	+9.25	+24.25	+2.75	+19.5	+0.25	+17	1.25	+15.5

## ELECTRIC STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Youngstown R2	+9.25	+24.25	+2.75	+19.5	+0.25	+17	1.25	+15.5	1	+15.75	3.5	+13.5
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## BUTTWELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Size—Inches	¾		1		1½		2		2½		3		3½		4		5		6	
List Per Ft	5.5c		6c		6c		8.5c		11.5c		17c		22c		28c		35c		42c	
Pounds Per Ft	0.24		0.42		0.57		0.85		1.13		1.68		2.28		3.00		3.80		4.60	
	Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*		Blk Galv*	
Alliquippa, Pa. J5	.....		.....		.....		5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	
Alton, Ill. L1	.....		.....		.....		3.25 +12		6.25 +8		9.75 +3.5		12.25 +2		15.75 +2.5		19.25 +3		22.75 +3.5	
Benwood, W. Va. W10	4.5	+22	+7.5	+31	+18	+39.5	5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	
Butler, Pa. F6	5.5	+21	+6.5	+30	+17	+38.5	.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....	
Etna, Pa. N2	.....		.....		.....		5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	
Fairless, Pa. N3	.....		.....		.....		3.25 +12		6.25 +8		9.75 +3.5		12.25 +2		15.75 +2.5		19.25 +3		22.75 +3.5	
Fontana, Calif. K1	.....		.....		.....		+8.25 +23.5		+5.25 +19.5		+1.75 +15		+0.75 +14.5		.....		.....		.....	
Indiana Harbor, Ind. Y1	.....		.....		.....		4.25 +11		7.25 +7		10.75 +2.5		13.25 +3		16.75 +3.5		20.25 +4		23.75 +4.5	
Lorain, O. N3	.....		.....		.....		5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	
Sharon, Pa. S4	5.5	+21	+6.5	+30	+17	+38.5	.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....		.....	
Sharon, Pa. M6	.....		.....		.....		5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2	3.5	+23	+8.5	+32	+19	+40.5	3.25 +12		6.25 +8		9.75 +3.5		12.25 +2		15.75 +2.5		19.25 +3		22.75 +3.5	
Wheatland, Pa. W9	5.5	+21	+6	+30	+17	+38.5	5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	
Youngstown R2, Y1	.....		.....		.....		5.25 +10		8.25 +6		11.75 +1.5		14.25 +0		17.75 +1.5		21.25 +2		24.75 +2.5	

Size—Inches	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	5	6
List Per Ft	27.5c	37c	58.5c	76.5c	92c	\$1.09	\$1.48	\$1.92
Pounds Per Ft	2.73	3.68	5.82	7.62	9.20	10.89	14.81	19.18
	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*
Alliquippa, Pa. J5	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5
Alton, Ill. L1	12.75	+1.75	13.25	+1.25	14.75	+1.5	14.75	+1.5
Benwood, W. Va. W10	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5
Etna, Pa. N2	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5
Fairless, Pa. N3	12.75	+1.75	13.25	+1.25	14.75	+1.5	14.75	+1.5
Fontana, Calif. K1	1.25	+13.25	1.75	+12.75	3.25	+13	3.25	+13
Indiana Harbor, Ind. Y1	13.75	+0.75	14.25	+0.25	15.75	+0.5	15.25	+0.5
Lorain, O. N3	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5
Sharon, Pa. M6	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2	12.75	+1.75	13.25	+1.25	14.75	+1.5	14.75	+1.5
Wheatland, Pa. W9	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5
Youngstown R2, Y1	14.75	0.25	15.25	0.75	16.75	0.5	16.75	0.5

\*Galvanized pipe discounts based on current price of zinc (10.00c, East St. Louis).

## Stainless Steel

Representative prices, cents per pound; subject to current lists of extras

AISI Type	—Rerolling— Ingot	Slabs	Forging Billets	H.R. Strip	Wire Rods; C.F. Wire	Bars; Structural Shapes	Plates	Sheets	C.R. Strip; Flat Wire	Stainless	Plates Carbon Base 5% 10% 15% 20%	Sheets Carbon Base 20%
201	22.00	27.00	36.50	36.00	40.75	42.00	44.25	48.50	45.00	302	.....	37.56
202	23.75	30.25	38.50	39.00	40.75	43.00	45.00	49.25	49.25	304	34.70	40.00
301	23.25	28.00	37.25	37.25	42.00	44.25	46.25	51.25	47.50	304L	36.90	40.55
302	25.25	31.50	38.00	40.50	42.75	45.00	47.25	52.00	52.00	316	40.35	44.40
302B	25.50	32.75	40.75	45.75	45.00	47.25	49.50	57.00	57.00	316L	45.05	49.35
303	.....	32.00	41.00	.....	45.50	48.00	50.00	56.75	56.75	316L Cb	47.30	53.80
304	27.00	33.25	40.50	44.25	45.25	47.75	50.75	55.50	55.50	321	36.60	40.05
304L	.....	33.25	40.50	44.25	45.25	47.75	50.75	55.50	55.50	347	38.25	42.40
305	28.50	36.75	42.50	47.50	45.25	47.75	51.25	58.75	58.75	405	28.60	29.85
308	30.75	38.25	47.25	50.25	52.75	55.75	60.25	63.00	63.00	410	28.15	29.55
309	39.75	49.50	57.75	64.50	63.75	67.00	71.00	80.50	80.50	430	28.30	29.80
310	49.75	61.50	78.00	84.25	86.50	91.00	92.75	96.75	96.75	Inconel	48.90	59.55
314	.....	.....	.....	.....	86.50	.....	92.75	.....	104.50	Nickel	41.65	51.95
316	39.75	49.50	62.25	69.25	69.25	73.00	76.75	81.50	81.50	Nickel, Low Carbon	41.95	52.60
316 L	.....	.....	70.00	76.50	77.00	80.75	84.50	89.25	89.25	Monel	43.35	53.55
317	48.00	60.00	76.75	88.25	86.25	90.75	93.50	101.00	101.00	Copper*	.....	.....
321	32.25	40.00	47.00	53.50	52.50	55.50	59.75	65.50	65.50			
330	.....	.....	106.75	.....	106.75	106.75	105.50	108.00	149.25			
18-8 CbTa	37.00	46.50	55.75	63.50	61.50	64.75	69.75	79.25	79.25			
403	.....	.....	32.00	.....	35.75	37.75	40.25	48.25	48.25			
405	19.50	25.50	29.75	36.00	33.50	35.25	37.50	46.75	46.75			
410	16.75	21.50	28.25	31.00	32.00	33.75	35.00	40.25	40.25			
416	.....	.....	28.75	.....	32.50	34.25	36.25	48.25	48.25			
420	.....	33.50	34.25	41.75	39.25	41.25	45.25	62.00	62.00			
430	17.00	21.75	28.75	32.00	32.50	34.25	36.00	40.75	40.75			
430F	.....	.....	29.50	.....	33.00	34.75	36.75	51.75	51.75			
431	.....	28.75	37.75	.....	42.00	44.25	46.00	56.00	56.00			
446	.....	.....	39.25	59.00	44.25	46.50	47.75	70.00	70.00			

**Stainless Steel Producers Are:** Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.; American Steel & Wire Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Anchor Drawn Steel Co., division of Vanadium-Alloys Steel Co.; Armco Steel Corp.; Babcock & Wilcox Co.; Bethlehem Steel Co.; J. Bishop & Co.; A. M. Byers Co.; G. O. Carlson Inc.; Carpenter Steel Co.; Charter Wire Products; Crucible Steel Co. of America; Damascus Tube Co.; Dearborn Div., Sharon Steel Corp.; Wilbur B. Driver Co.; Driver-Harris Co.; Eastern Stainless Steel Corp.; Firth Sterling Inc.; Fort Wayne Metals Inc.; Green River Steel Corp., subsidiary of Jessop Steel Co.; Indiana Steel & Wire Co.; Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.; Ellwood Ivins Steel Tube Works Inc.; Jessop Steel Co.; Johnson Steel & Wire Co. Inc.; Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.; Joslyn Stainless Steels, division of Joslyn Mfg. & Supply Co.; Latrobe Steel Co.; Lukens Steel Co.; Maryland Fine & Specialty Wire Co. Inc.; McInnes Steel Co.; McLouth Steel Corp.; Metal Forming Corp.; Midvale-Heppenstall Co.; National Standard Co.; National Tube Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Pacific Tube Co.; Page Steel & Wire Div., American Chain & Cable Co. Inc.; Pittsburgh Rolling Mills Inc.; Republic Steel Corp.; Riverside-Alloy Metal Div., H. K. Porter Company Inc.; Rodney Metals Inc.; Sawhill Tubular Products Inc.; Sharon Steel Corp.; Simonds Saw & Steel Co.; Specialty Wire Co. Inc.; Standard Tube Co.; Superior Steel Corp.; Superior Tube Co.; Swepco Tube Corp.; Techalloy Co. Inc.; Timken Roller Bearing Co.; Trent Tube Co., subsidiary of Crucible Steel Co. of America; Tube Methods Inc.; Ulbrich Stainless Steels Inc.; U. S. Steel Corp.; Universal-Cyclops Steel Corp.; Vanadium-Alloys Steel Co.; Wall Tube & Metal Products Co.; Wallingford Steel Co., subsidiary of Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.; Washington Steel Corp.

## Clad Steel

Stainless	5%	10%	15%	20%	Sheets Carbon Base 20%
302	.....	.....	.....	.....	37.56
304	34.70	37.95	42.25	46.70	40.00
304L	36.90	40.55	45.10	49.85	.....
316	40.35	44.40	49.50	54.50	58.78
316L	45.05	49.35	54.70	60.10	.....
316L Cb	47.30	53.80	61.45	69.10	.....
321	36.60	40.05	44.60	49.30	47.22
347	38.25	42.40	47.55	52.80	57.00
405	28.60	29.85	33.35	36.85	.....
410	28.15	29.55	33.10	36.70	.....
430	28.30	29.80	33.55	37.25	.....
Inconel	48.90	59.55	70.15	80.85	.....
Nickel	41.65	51.95	62.30	72.70	.....
Nickel, Low Carbon	41.95	52.60	63.30	74.15	.....
Monel	43.35	53.55	63.80	74.05	.....
Copper*	.....	.....	.....	.....	46.00

**Strip, Carbon Base—Cold Rolled—10% Both Sides**  
Copper\* ..... 33.95 40.22

\*Deoxidized. Production points: Stainless-clad sheet New Castle, Ind. I-4; stainless-clad plates, Claymont, DE C22, Coatesville, Pa. L7, New Castle, Ind. I-4, and Washington, Pa. J3; nickel, inconel, monel-clad plates, Coatesville L7; copper-clad strip, Carnegie, Pa. S18.

## Tool Steel

Grade	\$ per lb	Grade	\$ per lb
Regular Carbon	0.305	Cr-Hot Work	0.4
Extra Carbon	0.360	W-Cr Hot Work	0.5
Special Carbon	0.475	V-Cr Hot Work	0.5
Oil Hardening	0.475	Hi-Carbon-Cr	0.5

**Grade by Analysis (%)**  
W Cr V Mo \$ per lb  
20.25 4.25 1.6 12.25 ..... 4.25  
18.25 4.25 1 4.75 ..... 2.2  
18 4 2 9 ..... 2.8  
18 4 2 ..... 1.5  
18 4 1 ..... 1.7  
9 3.5 ..... 1.5  
13.5 4 3 ..... 2.0  
6.4 4.5 1.9 5 ..... 2.4  
6 4 3 ..... 1.3  
1.5 4 1 ..... 1.5  
..... 8.5 ..... 1.1

Tool steel producers include: A4, A8, B2, B3, C4, C13, C18, F2, J3, L3, M14, S8, U4, V2, and V3.



# Pig Iron

F.o.b. furnace prices in dollars per gross ton, as reported to STEEL. Minimum delivered prices are approximate and do not include 3% federal transportation tax.

Birmingham District					Youngstown District				
	Basic	No. 2 Foundry	Malle-able	Besse-mer		Basic	No. 2 Foundry	Malle-able	Besse-mer
Alabama City, Ala. R2	62.00	62.50	....	....	Hubbard, Ohio Y1	....	....	66.50	....
Birmingham R2	62.00	62.50†	....	....	Sharpsville, Pa. S6	66.00	....	66.50	67.00
Birmingham U6	....	62.50†	66.50	....	Youngstown Y1	....	....	66.50	67.00
Woodward, Ala. W15	62.00**	62.50†	66.50	....	Mansfield, Ohio, deld.	70.90	....	71.40	71.90
Cincinnati, deld.	....	70.20	....	....	Duluth I-3	66.00	66.50	66.50	67.00
					Erie, Pa. I-3	66.00	66.50	66.50	67.00
					Everett, Mass. E1	67.50	68.00	68.50	....
					Fontana, Calif. K1	75.00	75.50	....	....
					Geneva, Utah C11	66.00	66.50	....	....
					Granite City, Ill. G4	67.90	68.40	68.90	....
					Ironton, Utah C11	66.00	66.50	....	....
					Minnequa, Colo. C10	68.00	68.50	69.00	....
					Rockwood, Tenn. T3	....	62.50†	66.50	....
					Toledo, Ohio I-3	66.00	66.50	66.50	67.00
					Cincinnati, deld.	72.54	73.04	....	....
					**Phos. 0.70-0.90%; Phos. 0.30-0.69%, \$63. †Phos. 0.70-0.90%; Phos. 0.30-0.69%, \$63.50.				
Buffalo District					PIG IRON DIFFERENTIALS				
Buffalo H1, R2	66.00	66.50	67.00	67.50	Silicon: Add 75 cents per ton for each 0.25% Si or percentage thereof over base grade, 1.75-2.25%, except on low phos. iron on which base is 1.75-2.00%.				
N. Tonawanda, N.Y. T9	....	66.50	67.00	67.50	Manganese: Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.25% manganese over 1% or portion thereof.				
Tonawanda, N.Y. W12	66.00	66.50	67.00	67.50	Nickel: Under 0.50% no extra; 0.50-0.74%, inclusive, add \$2 per ton and each additional 0.25%, add \$1 per ton.				
Boston, deld.	77.29	77.79	78.29	....	BLAST FURNACE SILVER PIG IRON, Gross Ton				
Rochester, N.Y., deld.	69.02	69.52	70.02	....	(Base 6.00-6.50% silicon; add \$1 for each 0.50% silicon or portion thereof over the base grade within a range of 6.50 to 11.50%; starting with silicon over 11.50% add \$1.50 per ton for each 0.50% silicon or portion thereof up to 14%; add \$1 for each 0.50% Mn over 1%)				
Syracuse, N.Y., deld.	70.12	70.62	71.12	....	Jackson, Ohio I-3, J1	....	....	78.00	....
					Buffalo H1	....	....	79.25	....
Chicago District					ELECTRIC FURNACE SILVER IRON, Gross Ton				
Chicago I-3	66.00	66.50	66.50	67.00	(Base 14.01-14.50% silicon; add \$1 for each 0.5% Si to 18%; \$1.25 for each 0.50% Mn over 1%; \$2 per gross ton premium for 0.045% max P)				
S. Chicago, Ill. R2	66.00	....	66.50	....	Calvert City, Ky. P15	....	....	\$99.00	....
S. Chicago, Ill. W14	66.00	....	66.50	67.00	Niagara Falls, N.Y. P15	....	....	99.00	....
Milwaukee, deld.	68.62	69.12	69.12	69.62	Keokuk, Iowa Open-hearth & Fdry, \$9 freight allowed K2	....	....	103.50	....
Muskegon, Mich., deld.	....	74.12	74.12	....	Keokuk, Iowa O.H. & Fdry, 12½ lb piglets, 16% Si, max frgt allowed up to \$9, K2	....	....	106.50	....
Cleveland District					LOW PHOSPHORUS PIG IRON, Gross Ton				
Cleveland R2, A7	66.00	66.50	66.50	67.00	Lyles, Tenn. T3 (Phos. 0.035% max)	....	....	\$78.50	....
Akron, Ohio, deld.	69.12	69.62	69.62	70.12	Troy, N.Y. R2 (Phos. 0.035% max)	....	....	74.00	....
Mid-Atlantic District					Philadelphia, deld.	....	....	82.27	....
Birdsboro, Pa. B10	68.00	68.50	69.00	69.50	Cleveland A7 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max)	....	....	71.00	....
Chester, Pa. P4	66.50	67.00	67.50	....	Duluth I-3 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max)	....	....	71.00	....
Swedeland, Pa. A3	68.00	68.50	69.00	69.50	Erie, Pa. I-3 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max)	....	....	71.00	....
New York, deld.	....	75.10	75.60	....	Neville Island, Pa. P6 (Intermediate) (Phos. 0.036-0.075% max)	....	....	71.00	....
Newark, N.J., deld.	72.29	72.79	73.29	73.79					
Philadelphia, deld.	70.01	70.51	71.01	71.59					
Troy, N.Y. R2	68.00	68.50	69.00	69.50					
Pittsburgh District									
Neville Island, Pa. P6	66.00	66.50	66.50	67.00					
Pittsburgh (N&S sides),									
Alliquippa, deld.	....	67.95	67.95	68.48					
McKees Rocks, Pa., deld.	....	67.60	67.60	68.13					
Lawrenceville, Homestead,									
Wilmerding, Monaca, Pa., deld.	....	68.26	68.26	68.79					
Verona, Trafford, Pa., deld.	68.29	68.82	68.82	69.35					
Brackenridge, Pa., deld.	68.60	69.10	69.10	69.63					
Midland, Pa. C18	66.00	....	....	....					

# Warehouse Steel Products

Representative prices, per pound, subject to extras, f.o.b. warehouse. City delivery charges are 15 cents per 100 lb except: Moline, Norfolk, Richmond, Washington, 20 cents; Baltimore, Boston, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Spokane, San Francisco, 10 cents; Atlanta, Chattanooga, Houston, Seattle, no charge.

	SHEETS			STRIP Hot-Rolled*	BARS			Standard Structural Shapes	PLATES	
	Hot-Rolled	Cold-Rolled	Gal. 10 Ga.†		H.R. Rounds	C.F. Rds.‡	H.R. Alloy 4140††§		Carbon	Floor
Atlanta	8.59§	9.86§		8.64	9.01	10.68		9.05	8.97	10.90
Baltimore	8.28	8.88	9.61	8.76	9.06	11.34 #	15.18	9.19	8.66	10.14
Birmingham	8.18	9.45	11.07	8.23	8.60	10.57		8.64	8.56	10.70
Boston	9.38	10.44	11.45	9.42	9.73	12.90 #	15.28	9.63	9.72	11.20
Buffalo	8.40	9.00	10.07	8.50	8.80	10.90 #	15.00	8.90	8.90	10.45
Chattanooga	8.35	9.69	9.65	8.40	8.77	10.46		8.88	8.80	10.66
Chicago	8.20	9.45	10.00	8.23	8.60	8.80	14.65	8.64	8.56	9.88
Cincinnati	8.34	9.48	10.05	8.54	8.92	9.31	14.96	9.18	8.93	10.21
Cleveland	8.18	9.45	9.95	8.33	8.69	10.80 #	14.74	9.01	8.79	10.11
Dallas	8.85	10.15		9.00	8.95	11.01		9.00	9.45	10.70
Denver	9.38	11.75		9.41	9.78	11.10		9.82	9.74	11.06
Detroit	8.43	9.70	10.35	8.58	8.90	9.15	14.91	9.18	8.91	10.13
Erie, Pa.	8.20	9.45	9.95¹⁰	8.50	8.75	9.05¹⁰		9.00	8.85	10.10
Houston	8.45	9.75	8.45	8.60	8.55	11.10		8.60	9.05	10.30
Jackson, Miss.	8.52	9.79		8.57	8.94	10.68		8.97	8.90	10.74
Los Angeles	7.85	10.75	11.65	7.90	7.90	12.10		7.95	7.90	10.05
Milwaukee	8.33	9.58	10.13	8.36	8.73	9.03	14.78	8.85	8.69	10.01
Moline, Ill.	8.55	9.80	10.35	8.58	8.95	9.15		8.99	8.91	
New York	8.87	10.13	10.56	9.31	9.57	12.76 #	15.09	9.35	9.43	10.71
Norfolk, Va.	8.05			8.55	8.60	10.80		8.95	8.45	9.95
Philadelphia	8.00	8.90	9.87	8.69	8.65	11.51 #	15.01	8.50	8.77	9.77**
Pittsburgh	8.18	9.45	10.35	8.33	8.60	10.80 #	14.65	8.64	8.56	9.88
Portland, Oreg.	8.50	11.20	11.55	9.55	8.65	14.65 #	15.95	8.65	8.30	11.50
Richmond, Va.	8.45		10.40	9.15	9.15			9.40	8.85	10.35
St. Louis	8.54	9.79	10.36	8.59	8.97	9.41	15.01	9.10	8.93	10.25
St. Paul	8.79	10.04	10.61	8.84	9.21	9.66		9.38	9.30	10.49
San Francisco	9.35	10.75	11.00	9.45	9.70	13.00	16.10	9.50	9.60	12.00
Seattle	9.95	11.15	12.00	10.00	10.10	14.05	16.35	9.80	9.70	12.10
South'ton, Conn.	9.07	10.33	10.71	9.48	9.74			9.57	9.57	10.91
Spokane	9.95	11.15	12.00	10.00	10.10	14.05	17.20	9.80	9.70	12.10
Washington	8.48	9.58		9.06	9.15	9.73		9.35	8.86	10.36

\*Prices do not include gage extras; †prices include gage and coating extras; ‡includes 35-cent bar quality extras; §42 in. and under; \*\*¼ in. and heavier; ††as annealed; ‡‡over 4 in.; §§over 3 in.; #1 in. round C-1018.

Base quantities, 2000 to 4999 lb except as noted; cold-rolled strip and cold-finished bars, 2000 lb and over except in Seattle, 2000 to 9999 lb, and in Los Angeles, 6000 lb and over; stainless sheets, 8000 lb except in Chicago, New York, Boston, Seattle, Portland, Oreg., 10,000 lb and in San Francisco, 2000 to 4999 lb; hot-rolled products on West Coast, 2000 to 9999 lb, except in Portland, Oreg., 1000 to 9999 lb; §=400 to 9999 lb; §=1000 to 9999 lb; §=2000 to 3999 lb; ¹⁰=2000 lb and over.



## Refractories

### Fire Clay Brick (per 1000)

**High-Heat Duty:** Ashland, Grahn, Hayward, Hitchins, Haldeman, Olive Hill, Ky., Athens, Troup, Tex., Beech Creek, Clearfield, Curwensville, Lock Haven, Lumber, Orviston, West Decatur, Pa., Bessemer, Ala., Farber, Mexico, St. Louis, Vandalia, Mo., Ironton, Oak Hill, Parral, Portsmouth, Ohio, Ottawa, Ill., Stevens Pottery, Ga., \$135; Salina, Pa., \$140; Niles, Ohio, \$138; Cutler, Utah, \$165.

**Super-Duty:** Ironton, Ohio, Vandalia, Mo., Olive Hill, Ky., Clearfield, Salina, Pa., New Savage, Md., St. Louis, \$175; Stevens Pottery, Ga., \$185; Cutler, Utah, \$233.

### Silica Brick (per 1000)

**Standard:** Alexandria, Claysburg, Mt. Union, Sproul, Pa., Ensley, Ala., Pt. Matilda, Pa., Portsmouth, Ohio, Hawstone, Pa., \$150; Warren, Niles, Windham, Ohio, Hays, Latrobe, Pa., Morrisville, Pa., \$155; E. Chicago, Ind., Joliet, Rockdale, Ill., \$160; Lehigh, Utah, \$175; Los Angeles, \$180.

**Super-Duty:** Sproul, Hawstone, Pa., Niles, Warren, Windham, Ohio, Leslie, Md., Athens, Tex., \$157; Morrisville, Hays, Latrobe, Pa., \$160; E. Chicago, Ind., \$167; Curtner, Calif., \$182.

### Semisilica Brick (per 1000)

Clearfield, Pa., \$140; Philadelphia, \$137; Woodbridge, N. J., \$135.

### Ladle Brick (per 1000)

**Dry Pressed:** Alsey, Ill., Chester, New Cumberland, W. Va., Freeport, Johnstown, Merrill Station, Vanport, Pa., Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., Wellsville, Ironton, New Salisbury, Ohio, \$96.75; Clearfield, Pa., Portsmouth, Ohio, \$102.

### High-Alumina Brick (per 1000)

**50 Per Cent:** St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., \$235; Danville, Ill., \$238; Philadelphia, Clearfield, Pa., \$230; Orviston, Pa., \$245.

**60 Per Cent:** St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., \$295; Danville, Ill., \$298; Philadelphia, Clearfield, Orviston, Pa., \$305.

**70 Per Cent:** St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., \$335; Danville, Ill., \$338; Philadelphia, Clearfield, Orviston, Pa., \$345.

### Sleeves (per 1000)

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., St. Louis, \$188.

### Nozzles (per 1000)

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., St. Louis, \$310.

### Runners (per 1000)

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., \$234.

### Dolomite (per net ton)

Domestic, dead-burned, bulk, Billmeyer, Blue Bell, Williams, Plymouth Meeting, York, Pa., Millville, W. Va., Bettsville, Millersville, Martin, Woodville, Gibsonburg, Nardo, Ohio, \$16.75; Thornton, McCook, Ill., \$17; Dolly Siding, Bonne Terre, Mo., \$15.

### Magnesite (per net ton)

Domestic, dead-burned, bulk ½ in. grains with fines; Chewelah, Wash., Luning, Nev., \$46; ¾ in. grains with fines; Baltimore, \$73.

## Fluorspar

Metallurgical grades, f.o.b. shipping point in Ill., Ky., net tons, carloads, effective CaF<sub>2</sub> content 72.5%, \$37-41; 70%, \$36.40; 60%, \$33-36.50. Imported, net tons, f.o.b. cars point of entry, duty paid, metallurgical grade: European, \$33-34; Mexican, all rail, duty paid, \$25.25-25.75; barge, Brownsville, Tex., \$27.25-27.75.

## Electrodes

Threaded with nipple; unboxed, f.o.b. plant

### GRAPHITE

—Inches—		Per 100 lb
Diam	Length	
2	24	\$60.75
2½	30	39.25
3	40	37.00
4	40	35.00
5½	40	34.75
6	60	31.50
7	60	28.25
8, 9, 10	60	28.00
12	72	26.75
14	60	26.75
16	72	25.75
17	60	26.25
18	72	26.25
20	72	26.25
24	84	26.00

### CARBON

8	60	13.30
10	60	13.00
12	60	12.95
14	60	12.85
14	72	11.95
17	60	11.85
17	72	11.40
20	84	11.40
20	90	11.00
24	72, 84	11.25
24	96	10.95
30	84	11.05
40, 35	110	10.70
40	100	10.70

## Ores

### Lake Superior Iron Ore

(Prices effective for the 1957 shipping season, gross ton, 51.50% iron natural, rail of vessel, lower lake ports.)

Mesabi bessemer	\$11.60
Mesabi nonbessemer	11.45
Old Range bessemer	11.85
Old Range nonbessemer	11.70
Open-hearth lump	12.70
High phos.	11.45

The foregoing prices are based on upper lake rail freight rates, lake vessel freight rates, handling and unloading charges, and taxes thereon, which were in effect Jan. 30, 1957, and increases or decreases after that date are absorbed by the seller.

### Eastern Local Iron Ore

Cents per unit, deld. E. Pa.  
New Jersey, foundry and basic 62-64% concentrates .....25.00-27.00

### Foreign Iron Ore

Cents per unit, c.i.f. Atlantic ports  
Swedish basic, 65% .....27.00-27.50  
N. African hematite (spot) .....nominal  
Brazilian iron ore, 68-69% .....28.00

### Tungsten Ore

Net ton, unit  
Foreign wolframite, good commercial quality .....\$13.00-14.00  
Domestic, concentrates f.o.b. milling points .....20.00-22.00

\*Before duty.

### Manganese Ore

Mn 46-48%, Indian (export tax included), \$1.39-1.42 per long ton unit, c.i.f. U. S. ports, duty for buyer's account; other than Indian, nominal; contracts by negotiation.

### Chrome Ore

Gross ton, f.o.b. cars New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Charleston, S. C., plus ocean freight differential for delivery to Portland, Oreg., Tacoma, Wash.

### Indian and Rhodesian

48% 3:1	\$51.00-53.00
48% 2.8:1	48.00-50.00
48% no ratio	41.00-43.00

### South African Transvaal

48% no ratio	\$40.00-41.00
44% no ratio	30.00-30.00

### Turkish

48% 3:1	\$55.00-57.00
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### Domestic

18% 3:1	\$39.00
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### Molybdenum

Sulfide concentrate, per lb of Mo content, mines, unpacked .....\$1.18

### Antimony Ore

Per short ton unit of Sb content, c.i.f. seaboard  
55-60% .....\$2.50-2.60  
60-65% .....2.60-2.90

### Vanadium Ore

Cents per lb V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>  
Domestic .....31.00

## Metallurgical Coke

### Price per net ton

### Beehive Ovens

Connellsville, Pa., furnace .....\$14.75-15.75

Connellsville, Pa., foundry .....18.00-18.00

### Oven Foundry Coke

Birmingham, ovens	\$28.85
Cincinnati, deld.	31.84
Buffalo, ovens	30.50
Camden, N. J., ovens	29.50
Detroit, ovens	30.50
Pontiac, Mich., deld.	32.25
Saginaw, Mich., deld.	33.83
Erie, Pa., ovens	30.50
Everett, Mass., ovens:	
New England, deld.	31.55*
Indianapolis, ovens	29.75
Ironton, Ohio, ovens	29.00
Cincinnati, deld.	31.84
Kearny, N. J., ovens	29.75
Milwaukee, ovens	30.50
Neville Island (Pittsburgh), Pa., ovens	29.25
Painesville, Ohio, ovens	30.50
Cleveland, deld.	32.60
Philadelphia, ovens	29.50
St. Louis, ovens	31.50
St. Paul, ovens	29.75
Chicago, deld.	33.24
Swedeland, Pa., ovens	29.50
Terre Haute, Ind., ovens	29.75

\*Or within \$4.85 freight zone from works.

## Coal Chemicals

### Spot, cents per gallon, ovens

Pure benzene	36.00
Toluene, one deg.	29.50
Industrial xylene	32.00-34.00
Per ton, bulk, ovens	
Ammonium sulfate	\$32.00-34.00
Cents per pound, producing point	
Phenol: Grade 1, 17.50; Grade 2-3, 15.50; Grade 4, 17.50; Grade 5, 16.50; Grade 6, 14.50.	

## Metal Powder

(Per pound f.o.b. shipping point in ton lots for minus 100 mesh, except as noted)  
Cents

**Sponge Iron, Swedish:**  
Deld. east of Mississippi River, ocean bags 23,000 lb and over... 10.50  
F.o.b. Riverton or Camden, N. J., west of Mississippi River... 9.50

**Sponge Iron, Domestic,**  
98 + % Fe:  
Deld. east of Mississippi River, 23,000 lb and over 10.50  
F.o.b. Riverton, N. J., west of Mississippi River... 9.50

**Electrolytic Iron:**  
Melting stock, 99.9% Fe, irregular fragments of ½ in. x 1.3 in. ....28.00

Annealed, 99.5% Fe... 36.50

Unannealed (99 + % Fe) .....36.00

Unannealed (99 + % Fe) (minus 325 mesh) .....59.00

**Powder Flakes (minus 16, plus 100 mesh)...** 29.00

**Carbonyl Iron:**  
98.1-99.9%, 3 to 20 microns, depending on grade, 93.00-290.00 in standard 200-lb containers; all minus 200 mesh.

### Aluminum:

Atomized, 500 lb drum, freight allowed  
Carlots .....39.50  
Ton lots .....41.50

Antimony, 500 lb lots 42.00\*

Brass, 5000-lb lots .....31.30-38.40†

Bronze, 5000-lb lots .....48.10-52.70†

Copper:

Electrolytic .....14.25\*

Reduced .....14.25\*

Lead .....7.50\*

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Minus 35 mesh ... 64.00

Minus 100 mesh ... 70.00

Minus 200 mesh ... 75.00

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Nickel-Silver, 5000-lb lots .....49.20-61.30†

Phosphor-Copper, 5000-lb lots .....59.80

Copper (atomized) 5000-lb lots .....40.30-48.80†

Silicon .....47.50

Solder .....7.00\*

Stainless Steel, 304 ... \$1.02

Stainless Steel, 316 ... \$1.20

Tin .....14.50\*

Zinc, 5000-lb lots 17.50-30.70†

Tungsten: Dollars

Melting grade, 99%

60 to 200 mesh:

1000 lb and over... 3.15

Less than 1000 lb... 3.30

Chromium, electrolytic

99.8% Cr min

metallic basis ... 5.00

\*Plus cost of metal. †Depending on composition. ‡Depending on mesh.

## Imported Steel

(Base per 100 lb, landed, duty paid, based on current ocean rates. Any increase in these rates is for buyer's account. Source of shipment: Western continental European countries)

	North Atlantic	South Atlantic	Gulf Coast	West Coast
Deformed Bars, Intermediate, ASTM-A 305...	\$5.68	\$5.63	\$5.63	\$5.93
Bar Size Angles	5.89	5.93	5.98	6.23
Structural Angles	5.98	5.93	5.98	6.23
I-Beams	6.43	6.39	6.43	6.68
Channels	6.43	6.39	6.43	6.68
Plates (basic bessemer)	7.64	7.59	7.64	7.88
Sheets, H.R.	8.25	8.20	8.20	8.50
Sheets, C.R. (drawing quality)	9.00	8.95	8.95	9.25
Furring Channels, C.R., 1000 ft, ¾ x 0.30 lb per ft	26.79	26.67	26.67	27.36
Barbed Wire (†)	6.95	6.95	6.95	7.40
Merchant Bars	6.37	6.32	6.37	6.61
Hot-Rolled Bands	7.20	7.15	7.15	7.55
Wire Rods, Thomas Commercial No. 5	6.73	6.73	6.73	7.13
Wire Rods, O.H. Cold Heading Quality No. 5	7.07	7.07	7.07	7.47
Bright Common Wire Nails (§)	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.32

†Per 82 lb. net, reel. §Per 100-lb kegs, 20d nails and heavier.



# Ferroalloys

## MANGANESE ALLOYS

**Spiegeleisen:** Carlot, per gross ton, Palmerton, Pa. 21-23% Mn, \$105; 19-21% Mn, 1-3% Si, \$102.50; 16-19% Mn, \$100.50.

**Standard Ferromanganese:** (Mn 74-76%, C 7% approx). Base price per net ton; \$245, Johnstown, Duquesne, Sheridan, Pa.; Alloy, W. Va.; Ashtabula, Marietta, O.; Sheffield, Ala.; Portland, Ore. Add or subtract \$2 for each 1% or fraction thereof of contained manganese over 76% or under 74% respectively. (Mn 79-81%). Lump \$253 per net ton, f.o.b. Anaconda or Great Falls, Mont. Add \$2.60 for each 1% above 81%; subtract \$2.60 for each 1% below 79%, fractions in proportion to nearest 0.1%.

**High-Grade Low-Carbon Ferromanganese:** (Mn 85-90%). Carload, lump, bulk, max 0.07% C, 35.1c per lb of contained Mn, carload packed 36.4c, ton lots 37.9c, less ton 39.1c. Delivered. Deduct 1.5c for max 0.15% C grade from above prices, 3c for max 0.03% C, 3.5c for max 0.50% C, and 6.5c for max 75% C—max 7% Si. **Special Grade:** (Mn 90% min, C 0.07% max, P 0.06% max). Add 2.05c to the above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Medium-Carbon Ferromanganese:** (Mn 80-85%, C 1.25-1.5%, Si 1.5% max). Carload, lump, bulk, 25.5c per lb of contained Mn, packed, carload 26.8c, ton lot 28.4c, less ton 29.6c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Manganese Metal:** 2" x D (Mn 95.5% min, Fe 2% max, Si 1% max, C 0.2%). Carload, lump, bulk, 45c per lb of metal; packed, 45.75c; ton lot 47.25c; less ton lot 49.25c. Delivered. Spot, add 2c.

**Electrolytic Manganese Metal:** Min carload, 34c; 2000 lb to min carload, 36c; 500 lb to 1999 lb, 38c; 50 lb cans, add 0.5c per lb. Premium for hydrogen-removed metal, 0.75c per lb. Prices are f.o.b. cars, Knoxville, Tenn., freight allowed to St. Louis or any point east of Mississippi; or f.o.b. Marietta, O., freight allowed.

**Silicomanganese:** (Mn 65-68%). Contract, lump, bulk 1.50% C grade, 18-20% Si, 12.8c per lb of alloy. Packed, c.l. 14c, ton 14.45c, less ton 15.45c, f.o.b. Alloy, W. Va.; Ashtabula, Marietta, O.; Sheffield, Ala.; Portland, Ore. For 2% C grade, Si 15-17%, deduct 0.2% from above prices. For 3% C grade Si 12-14.5%, deduct 0.4c from above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

## TITANIUM ALLOYS

**Ferrotitanium, Low-Carbon:** (Ti 20-25%, Al 3.5% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Contract, ton lot, 2" x D, \$1.50 per lb of contained Ti; less ton \$1.55. (Ti 38.43%, Al 8% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Ton lot \$1.35, less ton \$1.37, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to St. Louis. Spot, add 5c.

**Ferrotitanium, High-Carbon:** (Ti 15-18%, C 6-8%). Contract \$200 per ton ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to destinations east of Mississippi River and north of Baltimore and St. Louis.

**Ferrotitanium, Medium-Carbon:** (Ti 17-21%, C 2.4-5%). Contract \$225 per ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

## CHROMIUM ALLOYS

**High-Carbon Ferrochrome:** Contract, c.l. lump, bulk 28.75c per lb of contained Cr; c.l. packed 30.30c, ton lot 32.05c; less ton 33.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Low-Carbon Ferrochrome:** Cr 63-66% (Simplex), carload, lump, bulk, C 0.025% max, 36.75c per lb contained Cr; 0.010% max, 37.75c. Ton lot, add 3.5c; less ton, add 5.2c. Delivered. Cr 67.71%, carload, lump, bulk, C 0.02% max, 41.00c per lb contained Cr; 0.025% max, 39.75c; 0.05% max, 39.00c; 0.10% max, 38.50c; 0.20% max, 38.25c; 0.50% max, 38.00c; 1.0% max, 37.75c; 1.5% max, 37.50c; 2.0% max, 37.25c. Ton lot, add 3.4c; less ton lot, add 5.1c. Delivered.

**Foundry Ferrochrome, High-Carbon:** (Cr 62-66%, C 5-7%, Si 7-10%). Contract, c.l. 2 in. x D, bulk 30.05c per lb of contained Cr. Packed, c.l. 31.65c, ton 33.45c, less ton 34.95c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Foundry Ferrosilicon Chrome:** (Cr 50-54%, Si 28-32%, C 1.25% max). Contract, carload, packed, 8M x D, 21.25c, per lb of alloy, ton lot 22.50c; less ton lot 23.70c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Ferrochrome-Silicon:** Cr 39-41%, Si 42-45%, C 0.05% max or Cr 33-36%, Si 45-48%, C 0.05% max. Carload, lump, bulk, 3" x down and 2" x down, 27.50c per lb contained Cr, 14.20c per lb contained Si. 0.75" x down, 28.65c per lb contained Cr, 14.20c per lb contained Si. Delivered.

**Chromium Metal Electrolytic:** Commercial grade (Cr 99.8% min, metallic basis, Fe 0.2% max). Contract, carlot, packed 2" x D plate (about 1/4" thick) \$1.29 per lb, ton lot \$1.31, less ton lot \$1.33. Delivered. Spot, add 5c.

## VANADIUM ALLOYS

**Ferrovanadium:** Open-hearth grade (V 50-55%, Si 8% max, C 3% max). Contract, any quantity, \$3.20 per lb of contained V. Delivered. Spot, add 10c. **Special Grade:** (V 50-55% or 70-75%, Si 2% max, C 0.5% max) \$3.30. **High Speed Grade:** (V 50-55%, or 70-75%, Si 1.50% max, C 0.20% max) \$3.40.

**Grainal:** Vanadium Grainal No. 1 \$1.50 per lb; No. 6, 68c; No. 79, 50c, freight allowed.

**Vanadium Oxide:** Contract less carload lot, packed, \$1.38 per lb contained V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, freight allowed. Spot, add 5c.

## SILICON ALLOYS

**25-30% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 20.0c per lb of contained Si. Packed 21.40c; ton lot 22.50c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

**50% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 14.20c per lb of contained Si. Packed c.l. 16.70c, ton lot 18.15c, less ton 19.80c, f.o.b. Alloy, W. Va.; Ashtabula, Marietta, O.; Sheffield, Ala.; Portland, Ore. Spot, add 0.45c.

**Low-Aluminum 50% Ferrosilicon:** (Al 0.40% max). Add 1.45c to 50% ferrosilicon prices.

**65% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 15.25c per lb contained silicon. Packed, c.l. 17.25c, ton lot 19.05c; less ton 20.4c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.35c.

**75% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 16.4c per lb of contained Si. Packed, c.l. 18.30c, ton lot 19.95c, less ton 21.2c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.3c.

**90% Ferrosilicon:** Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 19.5c per lb of contained Si. Packed, c.l. 21.15c, ton lot 22.55c, less ton 23.6c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Silicon Metal:** (98% min Si, 0.75% max Fe, 0.07% max Ca). C.l. lump, bulk, 22.00c per lb of Si. Packed, c.l. 23.65c, ton lot 24.95c, less ton 25.95c. Add 0.5c for max 0.03% Ca grade. Deduct 0.5c for max 1% Fe grade analyzing min 99.75% Si; 0.75c for max 1.25% Fe grades analyzing min 96.75% Si. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Alsifer:** (Approx 20% Al, 40% Si, 40% Fe). Contract, basis f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., lump, carload, bulk, 10.65c per lb of alloy; ton lot, packed, 11.8c.

## ZIRCONIUM ALLOYS

**12-15% Zirconium Alloy:** (Zr 12-15%, Si 39-43%, C 0.20% max). Contract, c.l. lump, bulk 9.25c per lb of alloy. Packed, c.l. 10.45c, ton lot 11.6c, less ton 12.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**35-40% Zirconium Alloy:** (Zr 35-40%, Si 47-52%, Fe 8-12%, C 0.50% max). Contract, carload, lump, packed 27.25c per lb of alloy, ton lot 28.4c, less ton 29.65c. Freight allowed. Spot, add 0.25c.

## BORON ALLOYS

**Ferroboron:** (B 17.50% min, Si 1.50% max, Al 0.50% max, C 0.50% max). Contract, 100 lb or more 1" x D, \$1.20 per lb of alloy; less than 100 lb \$1.30. Delivered. Spot, add 5c. F.o.b. Washington, Pa., prices, 100 lb and over are as follows: Grade A (10-14% B) 85c per lb; Grade B (14-18% B) \$1.20; Grade C (19% min B) \$1.50.

**Borosi:** (3 to 4% B, 40 to 45% Si). Carload, bulk, lump, or 3" x D, \$5.25 per lb of contained B. Packed, carload \$5.40, ton to c.l. \$5.50, less ton \$5.60. Delivered.

**Bortam:** (B 1.5-1.9%). Ton lot, 45c per lb; less than ton lot, 50c per lb.

**Carbortam:** (B 1 to 2%). Contract, lump, carload 9.50c, per lb f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y., freight allowed same as high-carbon ferrotitanium.

## CALCIUM ALLOYS

**Calcium-Manganese-Silicon:** (Ca 16-20%, Mn 14-18% and Si 53-59%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 23c per lb of alloy, carload packed 24.25c, ton lot 26.15c, less ton 27.15c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Calcium-Silicon:** (Ca 30-33%, Si 60-65%, Fe 1.5-3%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 24c per lb of alloy, carload packed 25.65c, ton lot 27.95c, less ton 29.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

## BRIQUETTED ALLOYS

**Chromium Briquets:** (Weighing approx 3 1/2 lb each and containing 2 lb of Cr). Contract, carload, bulk 19.60c per lb of briquet, carload packed in box pallets 19.80c, in bags 20.70c; 3000 lb to c.l. in box pallets 21.00c; 2000 lb to c.l. in bags, 21.90c; less than 2000 lb in bags 22.80c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Ferromanganese Briquets:** (Weighing approx 3 lb and containing 2 lb of Mn). Contract, carload, bulk 14.8c per lb of briquet; c.l. packed, pallets 15c, bags 16c; 3000 lb to c.l. pallets 16.2c; 2000 lb to c.l. bags, 17.2c; less ton 18.1c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Silicomanganese Briquets:** (Weighing approx 3 1/2 lb and containing 2 lb of Mn and approx 1/2 lb of Si). Contract, c.l. bulk 15.1c per lb of briquet; c.l. packed, pallets, 15.3c; bags 16.3c, 3000 lb to c.l. pallets, 16.5c; 2000 lb to c.l. bags 17.5c; less ton 18.4c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Silicon Briquets:** (Large size—weighing approx 5 lb and containing 2 lb of Si). Contract, carload, bulk 7.7c per lb of briquet; packed, pallets, 7.9c; bags 8.9c; 3000 lb to c.l. pallets 9.5c; 2000 lb to c.l. bags 10.5c; less ton 11.4c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c; (Small size—weighing approx 1 1/2 lb and containing 1 lb of Si). Carload, bulk 7.85c. Packed, pallets 8.05c; bags 9.05c; 3000 lb to c.l. pallets 9.65c; 2000 lb to c.l. bags, 10.65c; less ton 11.55c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching, small size only. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Molybdenum-Oxide Briquets:** (Containing 2 1/2 lb of Mo each). \$1.41 per pound of Mo contained, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa.

## TUNGSTEN ALLOYS

**Ferrotungsten:** (70-80%), 5000 lb W or more \$2.95 per lb of contained W; 2000 lb W to 5000 lb W, \$3.05; less than 2000 lb W, \$3.17. Delivered.

## OTHER FERROALLOYS

**Ferrocolumbium:** (Cb 50-60%, Si 8% max, C 0.4% max). Contract, ton lot 2" x D, \$4.90 per lb of contained Cb. Delivered. Spot, add 10c.

**Ferrotantalum—Columbium:** (Cb 40% approx, Ta 20% approx, and Cb plus Ta 60% min, C 0.30% max). Ton lot 2" x D, \$4.25 per lb of contained Cb plus Ta, delivered; less ton lot \$4.30.

**SMZ Alloy:** (Si 60-65%, Mn 5-7%, Zr 5.7%, Fe 20% approx). Contract, c.l. packed 1/2-in. x 12 M 20.00c per lb of alloy, ton lot 21.15c, less ton 22.40c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

**Graphidox No. 5:** (Si 48-52%, Ca 5-7%, Ti 9-11%). C.l. packed, 19c per lb of alloy, ton lot 20.15c; less ton lot 21.4c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y.; freight allowed to St. Louis.

**V-5 Foundry Alloy:** (Cr 38-42%, Si 17-19%, Mn 8-11%). C.l. packed 18.1c per lb of alloy; ton lot 19.55c; less ton lot 20.8c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to St. Louis.

**Simanal:** (Approx 20% each Si, Mn, Al; bal Fe). Lump, carload, bulk 18.50c. Packed c.l. 19.50c, 2000 lb to c.l. 20.50c, less than 2000 lb 21c per lb of alloy. Delivered.

**Ferrophosphorus:** (23-25% based on 24% P content with unitage of \$4 for each 1 lb of P above or below the base); carload, f.o.b. sellers' works, Mt. Pleasant, Siglo, Tenn., \$110 per gross ton.

**Ferromolybdenum:** (55-75%). Per lb of contained Mo, in 200-lb container, f.o.b. Langeloth and Washington, Pa. \$1.68 in all sizes except powdered which is \$1.74.

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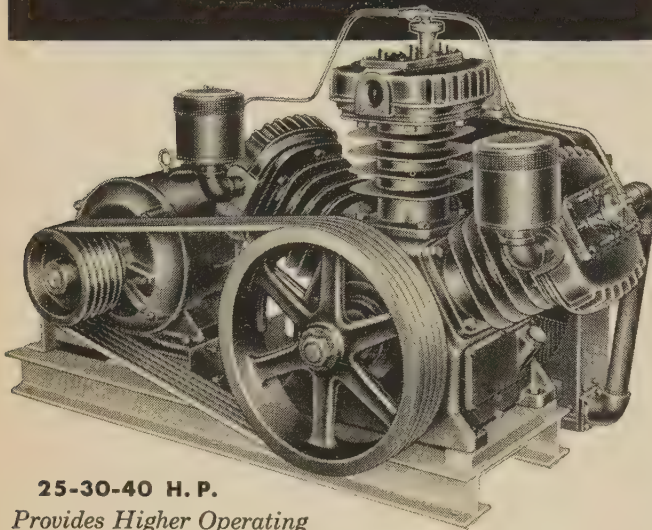


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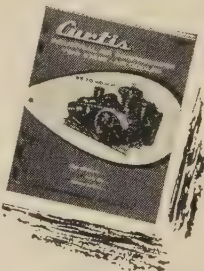
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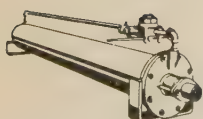
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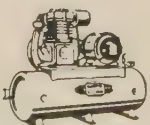
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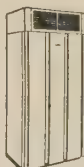
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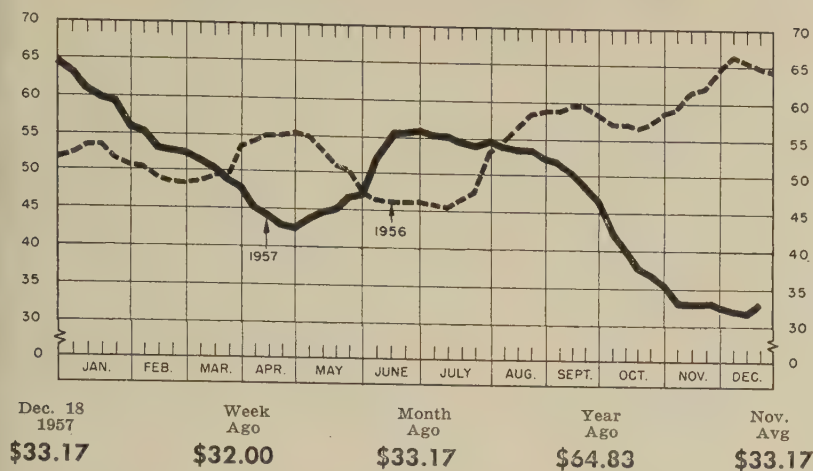
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Sharp rise in East puts STEEL's composite on the prime steel mill grade up \$1.17 a ton to \$33.17. Firmer tone developing at some other points despite continued sag in ingot operations

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**Cleveland**—Holiday steel plant curtailments here and in adjoining areas will intensify the sluggishness in the local scrap market. There is no buying, and representative sales are not anticipated until early next year.

Automotive lists will begin to come out this week—one is scheduled to be closed Dec. 23 and another Dec. 27. Indications are tonnage will be smaller than that offered in the lists at the end of November.

Prices are unchanged but are nominal. Signs of returning market strength are not in evidence.

**Washington**—Domestic stocks of ferrous materials (scrap and pig iron) at the end of October totaled 11,439,000 gross tons, a new high,

reports the U. S. Bureau of Mines. Of the total, 8,135,000 tons were scrap and 3,304,000 tons pig iron.

Domestic consumption during October was 5,338,000 tons of scrap and 5,670,000 tons of pig iron. The total melt (11,008,000 tons) consisted of 48 per cent scrap and 52 per cent pig iron, compared with 47 per cent scrap and 53 per cent iron in September.

Scrap available for consumption in the month (home production plus purchases) amounted to 5,531,000 gross tons, an increase of 1 per cent over the September figure. Home scrap accounted for 3,389,000 tons and purchases 2,142,000. Of the purchased scrap, 84 per cent was received from dealers and 16 per cent from other sources.

**Philadelphia**—Sales of No. 1 heavy melting, No. 2 bundles, and heavy turnings have been made at higher prices. Although the tonnage bought is not heavy, two consumers paid \$37 for No. 1 heavy melting, up \$3.50 a ton. Sales of No. 2 bundles at \$27 and heavy turnings at \$31, are advances of \$2.50 and \$1.50. No. 2 heavy melting is quoted at \$32.50. Yard intake has dwindled.

**New York**—Although brokers' buying prices are generally unchanged, steel scrap has firmed up, or at least is steadier. The market decline appears to have been arrested. Railroad scrap lists in the East this month are bringing slightly better prices for the primary steel grades. Stainless scrap is depressed, and 18-8 sheets, clips, and solids are down at least \$5 a ton.

**Pittsburgh**—Lacking sales, and with holiday curtailments just ahead, the scrap market here is lifeless. Prices are unchanged but nominal. Not much change in market conditions is expected the remainder of this year. Some pickup is anticipated in January.

**Cincinnati**—There is little buying interest in scrap here. Area mills have ample supplies and are not increasing their inventories. Some foundry scrap is moving by water to a distant buyer. Short rails are off \$2 to \$52-\$53, and random rails dipped \$1 to \$42-\$43 on an isolated sale.

**Chicago**—Scrap has developed a firmer tone. The stronger note is principally in the railroad and cast iron grades. The most likely explanation is notice from a large consumer that tonnage not delivered by yearend against orders placed prior to December would be canceled. Since shipments are accepted on a broker quota basis, it is thought unlikely that all shipments can be completed by Dec. 31.

The \$1 to \$2 a ton rise in cast scrap prices is attributed to the fact inventories were allowed to get too low. The foundry melt continues mostly on a 32-hour week basis. The district steel rate holds at 75 per cent, but there is little likelihood of a pickup before the turn of the year.

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### SCRAP AND PIG IRON STATISTICS, 1957 (Gross tons)

Months	Consumption		Consumers' Stocks End of October	
	Scrap	Pig Iron	Scrap	Pig Iron
January	6,630,804	6,482,472	6,528,135	2,024,625
February	6,038,436	5,860,099	6,523,035	2,000,821
March	6,294,038	6,155,334	6,572,422	2,177,658
April	5,816,309	5,856,587	6,586,114	2,253,929
May	5,753,435	5,862,966	6,524,031	2,420,139
June	5,430,607	5,672,086	6,525,916	2,491,952
July	4,897,752	5,558,702	7,023,107	2,878,719
August	5,299,543	5,769,995	7,493,892	3,086,853
September	5,033,998	5,645,036	7,941,835	3,242,471
October	5,338,000	5,670,000	8,135,000	3,304,000



# Iron and Steel Scrap

Consumer prices per gross ton, except as otherwise noted, including broker's commission, as reported in STEEL, Dec. 18, 1957. Changes shown in italics.

## STEELMAKING SCRAP COMPOSITE

Dec. 18 .....	\$33.17
Dec. 11 .....	32.00
Nov. Avg. ....	33.17
Dec. 1956 .....	64.29
Dec. 1952 .....	43.00

Based on No. 1 heavy melting grade at Pittsburgh, Chicago, and eastern Pennsylvania.

## PITTSBURGH

No. 1 heavy melting...	31.00-32.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	29.00-30.00
No. 1 factory bundles...	34.00-35.00
No. 1 dealer bundles...	31.00-32.00
No. 2 bundles .....	28.00-29.00
No. 1 busheling .....	31.00-32.00
Machine shop turnings...	15.00-16.00
Mixed borings, turnings	15.00-16.00
Short shovel turnings...	19.00-20.00
Cast iron borings .....	19.00-20.00
Cut structurals:	
2 ft and under .....	35.00-36.00
3 ft lengths .....	34.00-35.00
Heavy turnings .....	30.00-31.00
Punchings & plate scrap	34.00-35.00
Electric furnace bundles	34.00-35.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	39.00-40.00
Stove plate .....	33.00-34.00
Unstripped motor blocks	26.00-27.00
Clean auto cast .....	42.00-43.00
Drop broken machinery	51.00-52.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	34.50-35.50
Rails, 2 ft and under...	55.00-56.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	56.00-57.00
Angles, splice bars ..	46.00-47.00
Rails, rerolling .....	56.00-57.00

### Stainless Steel Scrap

18-8 bundles & solids...	210.00-215.00
18-8 turnings .....	115.00-120.00
430 bundles & solids...	95.00-100.00
430 turnings .....	50.00-55.00

## CLEVELAND

No. 1 heavy melting...	26.00-27.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	20.00-21.00
No. 1 factory bundles...	29.00-30.00
No. 1 bundles .....	26.00-27.00
No. 2 bundles .....	19.00-20.00
No. 1 busheling .....	26.00-27.00
Machine shop turnings...	11.00-12.00
Short shovel turnings...	15.00-16.00
Mixed borings, turnings	15.00-16.00
Cast iron borings .....	15.00-16.00
Cut foundry steel .....	33.00-34.00
Cut structurals, plates	
2 ft and under .....	35.00-36.00
Low phos. punchings & plate	
Alloy free, short shovel turnings	
Electric furnace bundles	

### Cast Iron Grades\*

No. 1 cupola .....	38.00-39.00
Charging box cast ..	33.00-34.00
Heavy breakable cast...	29.00-30.00
Stove plate .....	36.00-37.00
Unstripped motor blocks	23.00-24.00
Brake shoes .....	30.00-31.00
Clean auto cast .....	42.00-43.00
Burnt cast .....	28.00-29.00
Drop broken machinery	40.00-41.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	31.50-32.50
R.R. malleable .....	49.00-50.00
Rails, 2 ft and under...	55.00-56.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	56.00-57.00
Rails, random lengths...	48.00-49.00
Cast steel .....	43.00-44.00
Railroad specialties ..	43.00-44.00
Uncut tires .....	37.00-38.00
Angles, splice bars ..	43.00-44.00
Rails, rerolling .....	54.00-55.00

### Stainless Steel (Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

18-8 bundles, solids...	205.00-210.00
18-8 turnings .....	90.00-95.00
430 clips, bundles, solids	
430 turnings .....	75.00-80.00
430 turnings .....	40.00-50.00

\*Nominal

## YOUNGSTOWN

No. 1 heavy melting...	29.00-30.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	22.00-23.00
No. 1 bundles .....	29.00-30.00
No. 2 bundles .....	22.00-23.00
No. 1 busheling .....	29.00-30.00
Machine shop turnings...	13.00-14.00
Short shovel turnings...	17.00-18.00
Cast iron borings .....	17.00-18.00
Low phos. .....	33.00-34.00
Electric furnace bundles	33.00-34.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	34.50-35.50
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## CHICAGO

No. 1 heavy mel., indus.	32.00-33.00
No. 1 hvy melt., dealer	32.00-30.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	28.00-29.00
No. 1 factory bundles ..	35.00-36.00
No. 1 dealer bundles ..	30.00-31.00
No. 2 bundles .....	19.00-20.00
No. 1 busheling, indus.	32.00-33.00
No. 1 busheling, dealer	29.00-30.00
Machine shop turnings...	16.00-17.00
Mixed borings, turnings	18.00-19.00
Short shovel turnings...	18.00-19.00
Cast iron borings .....	18.00-19.00
Cut structurals, 3 ft...	40.00-41.00
Punchings & plate scrap	41.00-42.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	37.00-38.00
Stove plate .....	34.00-35.00
Unstripped motor blocks	29.00-30.00
Clean auto cast .....	41.00-42.00
Drop broken machinery...	41.00-42.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	35.00-36.00
R.R. malleable .....	45.00-46.00
Rails, 2 ft and under...	49.00-50.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	50.00-51.00
Angles, splice bars ..	46.00-47.00
Axles .....	49.00-50.00
Rails, rerolling .....	49.00-50.00

### Stainless Steel Scrap

18-8 bundles & solids...	190.00-200.00
18-8 turnings .....	90.00-100.00
430 bundles & solids ..	80.00-90.00
430 turnings .....	50.00-55.00

## DETROIT

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)	
No. 1 heavy melting ..	21.00-22.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	18.00-19.00
No. 1 bundles .....	21.00-22.00
No. 2 bundles .....	18.00-19.00
No. 1 busheling .....	21.00-22.00
Machine shop turnings...	8.00-9.00
Mixed borings, turnings	9.00-10.00
Short shovel turnings...	10.00-11.00
Punchings & plate scrap	27.00-28.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	31.00
Stove plate .....	25.00
Charging box cast .....	25.00
Heavy breakable .....	24.00
Unstripped motor blocks	15.00†
Clean auto cast .....	33.00
Malleable .....	34.00†

†Nominal

## ST. LOUIS

(Brokers' buying prices)	
No. 1 heavy melting ..	35.00†
No. 2 heavy melting ..	32.00
No. 1 bundles .....	35.00†
No. 2 bundles .....	25.00
No. 1 busheling .....	35.00†
Machine shop turnings...	14.00
Short shovel turnings...	16.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	43.00
Charging box cast .....	32.00
Heavy breakable cast ..	32.00
Unstripped motor blocks	32.00
Brake shoes .....	40.00
Clean auto cast .....	43.00
Stove plate .....	36.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	36.25†
Rails, 18 in. and under	47.00†
Rails, random lengths...	43.00
Rails, rerolling .....	47.00†
Angles, splice bars ..	43.00†

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## PHILADELPHIA

No. 1 heavy melting ..	37.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	31.50-32.50
No. 1 bundles .....	37.00
No. 2 bundles .....	27.00
No. 1 busheling .....	37.00
Electric furnace bundles	37.00
Mixed borings, turnings	22.50
Short shovel turnings...	24.00
Machine shop turnings...	22.00
Heavy turnings .....	31.00
Structurals & plate ..	40.00-41.00
Couplers, springs, wheels	46.00
Rail crops, 2 ft & under	62.00-64.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	38.00
Heavy breakable cast ..	37.00
Malleable .....	56.00
Drop broken machinery...	49.00-50.00

## NEW YORK

### (Brokers' buying prices)

No. 1 heavy melting ..	33.50
No. 2 heavy melting ..	29.00-30.00
No. 1 bundles .....	33.50
No. 2 bundles .....	21.00-22.00
Machine shop turnings...	11.00-12.00
Mixed borings, turnings	12.00-13.00
Short shovel turnings...	14.00-15.00
Low phos. (structurals & plate)	45.00-46.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	34.00-35.00
Unstripped motor blocks	32.00
Heavy breakable .....	33.00-34.00

### Stainless Steel

18-8 sheets, clips, solids	155.00-160.00
18-8 borings, turnings...	55.00-60.00
410 sheets, clips solids	60.00-65.00
430 sheets, clips, solids	75.00-80.00

## BOSTON

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)	
No. 1 heavy melting ..	23.00-24.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	20.00-21.00
No. 1 bundles .....	23.00-24.00
No. 2 bundles .....	15.00-16.00
No. 1 busheling .....	22.00-23.00
Machine shop turnings...	9.50-10.00
Mixed borings, turnings	10.50-11.00
Short shovel turnings...	11.00-11.50
No. 1 cast .....	33.00-34.00
Mixed cupola cast .....	28.00-29.00
No. 1 machinery cast ..	35.00-36.00

## BUFFALO

No. 1 heavy melting...	31.00-32.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	28.00-29.00
No. 1 bundles .....	31.00-32.00
No. 2 bundles .....	27.00-28.00
No. 1 busheling .....	31.00-32.00
Mixed borings, turnings	17.00-18.00
Machine shop turnings...	16.00-17.00
Short shovel turnings...	19.00-20.00
Cast iron borings .....	17.00-18.00
Low phos. .....	36.00-37.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	36.00-37.00
No. 1 machinery .....	41.00-42.00

### Railroad Scrap

Rails, random lengths...	43.00-44.00
Rails, 3 ft and under...	50.00-51.00
Railroad specialties ..	36.00-37.00

## CINCINNATI

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)	
No. 1 heavy melting ..	29.00-30.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	24.00-25.00
No. 1 bundles .....	29.00-30.00
No. 2 bundles .....	20.00-21.00
No. 1 busheling .....	29.00-30.00
Machine shop turnings...	14.00-15.00
Mixed borings, turnings	17.00-18.00
Short shovel turnings...	17.00-18.00
Cast iron borings .....	17.00-18.00
Low phos., 18 in. ....	36.00-37.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	35.00-36.00
Heavy breakable cast ..	32.00-33.00
Charging box cast .....	32.00-33.00
Drop broken machinery...	47.00-48.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	33.00-34.00
Rails, 18 in. and under...	52.00-53.00
Rails, random lengths...	42.00-43.00

## BIRMINGHAM

No. 1 heavy melting ..	29.00-30.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	24.00-25.00
No. 1 bundles .....	31.00-32.00
No. 2 bundles .....	16.00-17.00
No. 1 busheling .....	31.00-32.00
Cast iron borings .....	12.00-13.00
Short shovel turnings...	21.00-22.00
Machine shop turnings...	20.00-21.00
Bar crops and plates...	38.00-39.00
Structurals & plate ..	38.00-39.00
Electric furnace bundles	35.00-36.00
Electric furnace:	
3 ft and under .....	33.00-34.00
2 ft and under .....	34.00-35.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	48.00-49.00
Stove plate .....	47.00-48.00
Unstripped motor blocks	38.00-39.00
Charging box cast .....	22.00-23.00
No. 1 wheels .....	37.00-38.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	34.00-35.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	48.00-49.00
Rails, rerolling .....	47.00-48.00
Rails, random lengths...	41.00-42.00
Angles, splice bars ..	40.00-41.00

## SEATTLE

No. 1 heavy melting ..	34.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	32.00
No. 1 bundles .....	33.00
No. 2 bundles .....	25.00
Machine shop turnings...	26.00
Mixed borings, turnings	26.00
Electric furnace, No. 1.	46.00

### Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola .....	35.00
Heavy breakable cast...	32.00
Unstripped motor blocks	27.00
Stove plate (f.o.b. plant)	25.00

†Nominal

## LOS ANGELES

No. 1 heavy melting...	39.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	37.00
No. 1 bundles .....	38.00
No. 2 bundles .....	30.00
Machine shop turnings...	20.00
Shoveling turnings .....	25.00
Cast iron borings .....	25.00
Cut structurals and plate	
1 ft and under .....	54.00

### Cast Iron Grades

(F.o.b. shipping point)	
No. 1 cupola .....	52.00

### Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt...	39.00
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## SAN FRANCISCO

No. 1 heavy melting ..	36.00
No. 2 heavy melting ..	34.00
No. 1 bundles .....	34.00
No. 2 bundles .....	26.00
Machine shop turnings.	20.00
Mixed borings, turnings	20.00
Cast iron borings .....	20.00
Heavy turnings .....	20.00
Short shovel turnings ..	20.00
Cut structurals. 3 ft. ..	48.00



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# Copper Market Strengthens

Custom smelters raise price to 25.50 cents. Kennecott to cut domestic copper output by 3800 tons monthly. Tin production curtailments now in effect

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COPPER may be rebounding from some of the problems that have plagued it all year.

**One Symptom**—Custom smelters took a look at sharp gains on the London Metal Exchange and raised their price one-half cent to 25.5 cents a pound on Dec. 16. The last change was on Nov. 21 when custom smelters cut the price one-half cent.

The rapid rise in London wiped out two weeks of sinking quotations that threatened further reductions in both the domestic primary and custom smelter prices. Major credit for London's recovery goes to Kennecott Copper Corp. which announced plans to reduce its U. S. production by 12 per cent (3800 tons monthly) starting in early 1958.

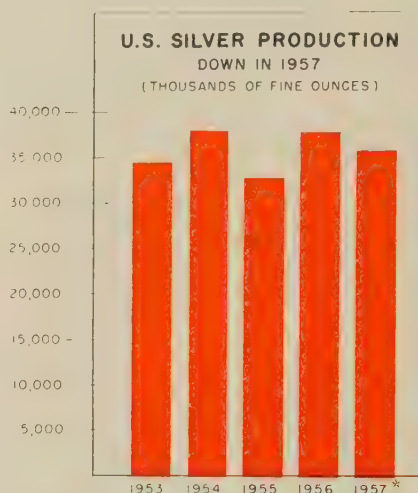
Metalmen have said for months that production would have to go under the knife before world prices could stabilize. The latest move by Kennecott brings announced U. S. production cutbacks to around 13,000 tons a month. Another 8500 tons a month will be siphoned off the market next year by the government, which is committed by contract to buy the output of several small mines. But new U. S. production coming in during 1958 may offset some of these gains.

**Overseas**—Foreign production is the highest in history this year. But there are some signs the situation may ease in 1958. Earlier this year the Rhodesian Selection Trust announced a 10 per cent production cutback. Katanga is rumored to be considering a 10 per cent slash. Chile still blows hot and cold on any curtailment, but observers say moves by the big European producers would force Chile into step.

**Gains**—Copper statistics for November show some improvement over October, even though produc-

tion remained at high levels. World deliveries to fabricators registered 255,495 tons, the best month since May.

Domestic primary and refined production also saw only slight de-



clines in November, registering 89,253 tons and 128,371 tons—compared with 93,078 tons and 129,832 tons in October. But deliveries in the U. S. fell to 106,815 tons from the October figure of 114,203 tons. Refined stocks dropped over 5000 tons to the 161,522-ton mark.

**Lead, Zinc**—Both metals have strengthened recently on the LME. Partial credit can be given to do-

mestic producers who didn't allow a falling foreign price pattern to affect domestic quotations and so encouraged London to move back up. The U. S. industry evidently felt a decline here would only have stimulated the LME decline.

## Tin Curtailment on

The International Tin Council's three-month curtailment of world production went into effect on Dec. 15. It means a production drop of about 10,000 gross tons during 1958's first quarter.

Major reason for the cutback is that ITC's buffer stock will hit 11,000 to 14,000 gross tons this year, about double estimates. Two reasons: 1. Russia sold 6600 gross tons of tin in Western Europe during the first ten months of 1957 under the London price. 2. Demand in general is off.

Domestic consumers bought heavily in the first five months but have held back since then. Result: Demand has dipped sharply. In the fourth quarter, it may be off as much as 25 per cent from the 5500-ton monthly average of 1956's fourth quarter.

Industry people say U. S. consumption will probably be down 50 per cent this year from 1956. They estimate world consumption at around 150,000 gross tons, compared with 156,000 gross tons in 1956. World production will probably see a slight drop of around 10,000 gross tons.

The production curtailment won't affect U. S. buyers if demand stays where it is. But a sharp demand upswing could find tin in temporary short supply.

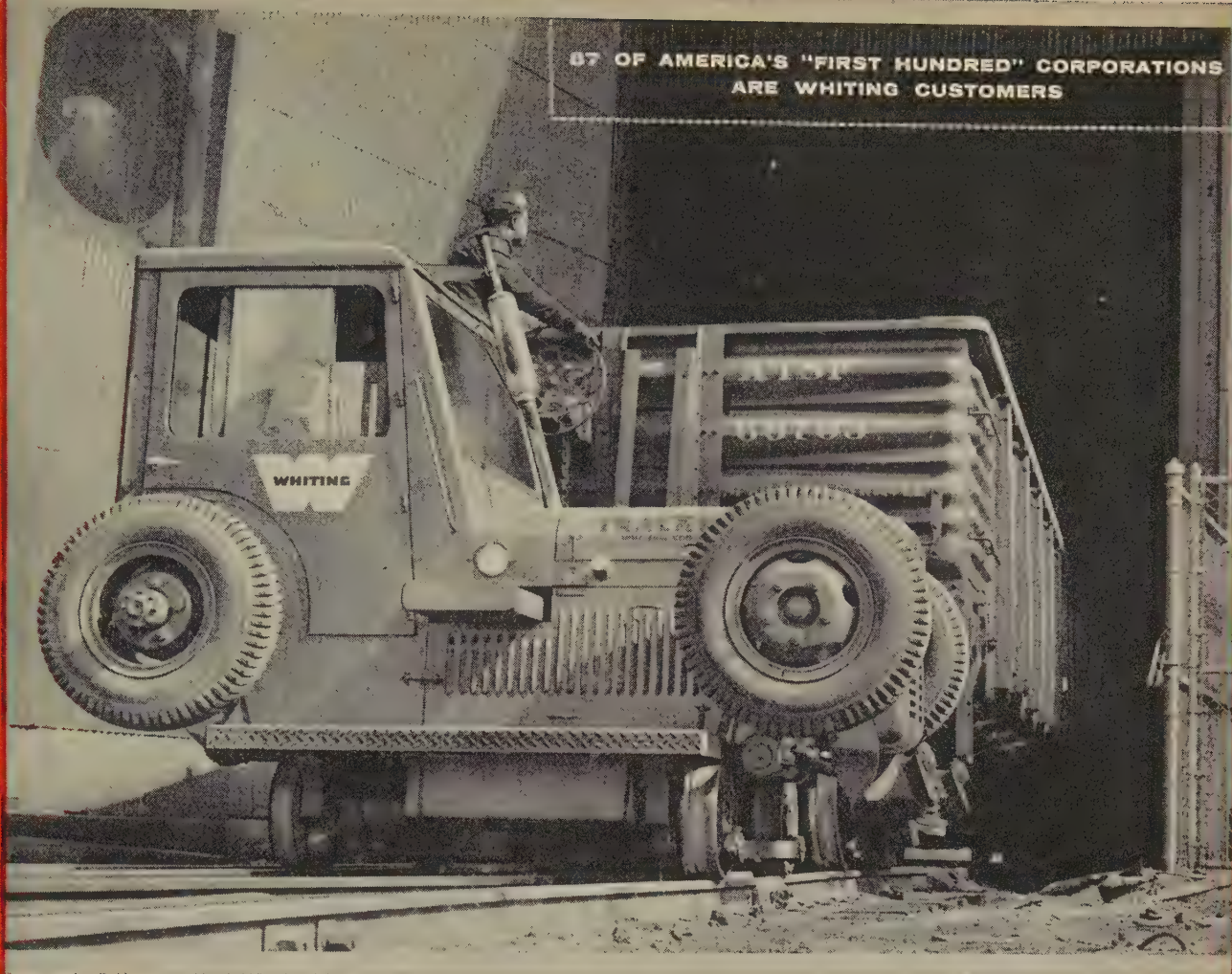
## NONFERROUS PRICE RECORD

	Price Dec. 18	Last Change	Previous Price	Nov. Avg	Oct. Avg	Dec., 1956 Avg
Aluminum ..	28.00	Aug. 1, 1957	25.00	26.000	26.000	25.000
Copper .....	25.50-27.00	Dec. 16, 1957	25.00-27.00	26.217	26.361	35.650
Lead .....	12.80	Dec. 2, 1957	13.30	13.300	13.504	15.800
Magnesium ..	35.25	Aug. 13, 1956	33.75	35.250	35.250	35.250
Nickel .....	74.00	Dec. 6, 1956	64.50	74.000	74.000	64.500
Tin .....	92.75	Dec. 18, 1957	93.00	89.288	91.843	105.067
Zinc .....	10.00	July 1, 1957	10.50	10.000	10.000	13.500

Quotations in cents per pound based on: COPPER, deld. Conn. Valley; LEAD, common grade, deld. St. Louis; ZINC, prime western, E. St. Louis; TIN, Straits, deld. New York; NICKEL, electrolytic cathodes, 99.9%, base size at refinery, unpacked; ALUMINUM, primary pig, 99.5+%, f.o.b. shipping point; MAGNESIUM, pig, 99.8%, Velasco, Tex.



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# Nonferrous Metals

Cents per pound, carlots except as otherwise noted.

## PRIMARY METALS AND ALLOYS

**Aluminum:** 99.5%, pigs, 26.00; ingots, 28.10, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. shipping point. Freight allowed on 500 lb or more.

**Aluminum Alloy:** No. 13, 29.90; No. 43, 29.70; No. 195, 31.30; No. 241, 31.50; No. 356, 29.90, 30-lb ingots.

**Antimony:** R.M.M. brand, 99.5%, 33.00; Lone Star brand, 33.50, f.o.b. Laredo, Tex., in bulk. Foreign brands, 99.5%, 25.50-26.50, New York, duty paid, 10,000 lb or more.

**Beryllium:** 97% lump or beads, \$71.50 per lb, f.o.b. Cleveland or Reading, Pa.

**Beryllium Aluminum:** 5% Be, \$74.75 per lb of contained Be, with balance as Al at market price, f.o.b. shipping point.

**Beryllium Copper:** 3.75-4.25% Be, \$43 per lb of contained Be, with balance as Cu at market price on shipment date, f.o.b. shipping point.

**Bismuth:** \$2.25 per ton, ton lots.

**Cadmium:** Sticks and bars, \$1.70 per lb deld.

**Cobalt:** 97-99%, \$2.00 per lb for 550-lb keg; \$2.02 per lb for 100 lb case; \$2.07 per lb under 100 lb.

**Columbium:** Powder, \$120 per lb, nom.

**Copper:** Electrolytic, 27.00 deld.; custom smelters, 25.50; lake, 27.00 deld.; fire refined, 26.75 deld.

**Germanium:** First reduction, \$179.17-197.31 per lb; intrinsic grade, \$197.31-220 per lb, depending on quantity.

**Gold:** U. S. Treasury, \$35 per oz.

**Indium:** 99.9%, \$2.25 per troy oz.

**Iridium:** \$80-110 nom. per troy oz.

**Lead:** Common, 12.80; chemical, 12.90; cor-rod, 12.90, St. Louis. New York basis, add 0.20.

**Lithium:** 98 + %, 50-100 lb, cups or ingots, \$12; rod, \$15; shot or wire, \$16. 100-500 lb, cups or ingots, \$10.50; rod, \$14; shot or wire, \$15, f.o.b. Minneapolis.

**Magnesium:** Pig, 35.25; ingot, 36.00 f.o.b. Velasco, Tex.; 12 in. sticks, 59.00 f.o.b. Madison, Ill.

**Magnesium Alloys:** AZ91A (diecasting), 40.75 deld.; AZ63A, AZ92A, AZ91C (sand casting), 40.75, f.o.b. Velasco, Tex.

**Mercury:** Open market, spot, New York, \$223-230 per 76-lb flask.

**Molybdenum:** Unalloyed, turned extrusions, 3.75-5.75 in. round, \$9.60 per lb in lots of 2500 lb or more, f.o.b. Detroit.

**Nickel:** Electrolytic cathodes, sheets (4 x 4 in. and larger), unpacked, 74.00; 10-lb pigs, unpacked, 78.25; "XX" nickel shot, 79.50; "F" nickel shot for addition to cast iron, 74.50; "F" nickel 5 lb ingots in kegs for addition to cast iron, 75.50. Prices f.o.b. Port Colborne, Ont., including import duty. New York basis, add 1.01. Nickel oxide sinter, 71.25 per lb of nickel content before 1 cent freight allowance, f.o.b. Copper Cliff, Ont.

**Osmium:** \$80-100 per troy oz nom.

**Palladium:** \$21-24 per troy oz.

**Platinum:** \$77-80 per troy oz from refineries.

**Radium:** \$16-21.50 per mg radium content, depending on quantity.

**Rhodium:** \$118-125 per troy oz.

**Ruthenium:** \$45-55 per troy oz.

**Selenium:** \$7.50 per lb, commercial grade.

**Silver:** Open market, 89.625 per troy oz.

**Sodium:** 16.50, c.l.; 17.00 l.c.l.

**Tantalum:** Rod, \$60 per lb; sheet, \$55 per lb.

**Tellurium:** \$1.65-1.85 per lb.

**Thallium:** \$7.50 per lb.

**Tin:** Straits, N. Y., spot and prompt, 92.75.

**Titanium:** Sponge, 99.3 + %, grade A-1 ductile (0.3% Fe max.), \$2.25; grade A-2 (0.5% Fe max.), \$2.00 per lb.

**Tungsten:** Powder, 98.8%, carbon reduced, 1000-lb lots, \$3.50 per lb nom., f.o.b. shipping point; less than 1000 lb, add 15.00; 99 + % hydrogen reduced, \$4.10-4.20.

**Zinc:** Prime Western, 10.00; brass special, 10.25; intermediate, 10.50, East St. Louis, freight allowed over 0.50 per lb, New York basis, add 0.50. High grade, 11.35; special high grade, 11.75 deld. Die casting alloy ingot No. 3, 14.25; No. 2, 15.25; No. 5, 14.75 deld.

**Zirconium:** Sponge, commercial grade, \$5.10 per lb.

(Note: Chromium, manganese, and silicon met-als are listed in ferroalloy section.)

## SECONDARY METALS AND ALLOYS

**Aluminum Ingot:** Piston alloys, 24.00-25.50; No. 12 foundry alloy (No. 2 grade), 22.00-23.25; 5% silicon alloy, 0.60 Cu max., 25.75-26.25; 13 alloy, 0.60 Cu max., 25.75-26.25; 195 alloy, 25.00-27.00; 108 alloy, 22.50-23.25. Steel deoxidizing grades, notch bars, granu-lated or shot; Grade 1, 24.00; grade 2, 22.25; grade 3, 21.00; grade 4, 19.00.

**Brass Ingot:** Red brass, No. 115, 27.25; tin bronze, No. 225, 36.00; No. 245, 30.75; high-leaded tin bronze, No. 305, 31.25; No. 1 yellow, No. 405, 22.75; manganese bronze, No. 421, 24.50.

**Magnesium Alloy Ingot:** AZ63A, 37.50; AZ91B, 37.50; AZ91C, 41.25; AZ92A, 37.50.

## NONFERROUS PRODUCTS

### BERYLLIUM COPPER

(Base prices per lb, plus mill extras, 2000 to 5000 lb; nom. 1.9% Be alloy.) Strip, \$1.82, f.o.b. Temple, Pa., or Reading, Pa.; rod, bar, wire, \$1.80, f.o.b. Temple, Pa.

### COPPER WIRE

Bare, soft, f.o.b. eastern mills, 30,000-lb lots, 32.355; l.c.l., 32.98. Weatherproof, 30,000-lb lots, 33.66; l.c.l., 34.78. Magnet wire deld., 40.43, before quantity discounts.

### LEAD

(Prices to jobbers, f.o.b. Buffalo, Cleveland, Pittsburgh.) Sheets, full rolls, 140 sq ft or more, \$18.50 per cwt; pipe, full coils, \$18.50 per cwt; traps and bends, list prices plus 30%.

### TITANIUM

(Prices per lb, 10,000 lb and over, f.o.b. mill.) Sheets and strip, \$9.50-15.95; sheared mill plate, \$8.00-11.50; wire, \$7.50-11.50; forging billets, \$6.00-7.60; hot-rolled and forged bars, \$6.15-7.90.

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(Prices per lb, c.l., f.o.b. mill.) Sheets, 24.00; ribbon zinc in coils, 20.50; plates 19.00

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Plate, \$12.50-19.20; H.R. strip, \$12.50-22.90; C.R. strip, \$15.00-31.25; forged or H.R. bars, \$11.00-17.40.

### NICKEL, MONEL, INCONEL

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Sheets, C.R. ....	126	106	128
Strips, C.R. ....	124	108	138
Plate, H.R. ....	120	105	121
Rod, Shapes, H.R. ....	107	89	109
Seamless Tubes ....	157	129	200

### ALUMINUM

Sheets: 1100 and 3003 mill finish (30,000 lb base; freight allowed).

Thickness

Range Inches	Flat Sheet	Coiled Sheet
0.249-0.136	43.10-47.60	.....
0.135-0.096	43.60-48.70	40.50-41.10
0.095-0.077	44.30-50.50	40.60-41.30
0.076-0.061	44.90-52.80	40.80-42.00
0.060-0.048	45.60-55.10	41.40-43.10
0.047-0.038	46.20-57.90	41.90-44.50
0.037-0.030	46.60-62.90	42.30-46.30
0.029-0.024	47.20-54.70	42.60-47.00
0.023-0.019	48.20-58.10	43.70-45.40
0.018-0.017	49.00-55.40	44.30-46.00
0.016-0.015	49.90-56.30	45.10-46.80
0.014	50.90	46.10-47.80
0.013-0.012	52.10	46.80
0.011	53.10	48.00
0.010-0.0095	54.60	49.40
0.009-0.0085	55.90	50.90
0.008-0.0075	57.50	52.10
0.007	59.00	53.60
0.006	60.60	55.00

## ALUMINUM (continued)

Plates and Circles: Thickness 0.250-3 in. 24-60 in. width or diam., 72-240 in. lengths.

Alloy	Plate Base	Circle Base
1100-F, 3003-F ....	42.70	47.50
5050-F .....	43.80	48.60
3004-F .....	44.80	50.50
5052-F .....	44.40	51.20
6061-T6 .....	46.90	53.00
2024-T4 .....	50.60	57.40
7075-T6* .....	58.40	66.00

\*24-48 in. width or diam., 72-180 in. lengths

Screw Machine Stock: 30,000 lb base.

Diam.(in.) or across flats	Round 2011-T3	Round 2017-T4	Hexagonal 2011-T3	Hexagonal 2017-T4
0.125	78.20	75.20	.....	.....
0.156-0.172	66.20	63.40	.....	.....
0.188	66.20	63.40	.....	81.60
0.219-0.234	63.00	61.50	.....	.....
0.250-0.281	63.00	61.50	.....	77.90
0.313	63.00	61.50	.....	74.20
0.344	62.50	.....	.....	.....

### Cold-Finished

0.375-0.547	62.50	61.30	74.80	69.80
0.563-0.688	62.50	61.30	71.10	65.50
0.719-1.000	61.00	59.70	64.90	61.70
1.063	61.00	59.70	.....	59.60
1.125-1.500	58.60	57.40	62.80	59.60

### Rolled

1.563	57.00	55.70	.....	.....
1.625-2.000	56.30	54.90	.....	57.00
2.125-2.500	54.80	53.40	.....	.....
2.563-3.375	53.20	51.70	.....	.....

**Forging Stock:** Round, Class 1, 45.20-58.60 in specific lengths, 36-144 in., diam. 0.375-8 in. Rectangles and squares, Class 1, 50.60-66.60 in random lengths, 0.375-4 in. thickness 0.750-10 in.

**Pipe:** ASA schedule 40, alloy 6063-T6, standard lengths, plain ends, 90,000-lb base, per 100 ft.

Nom. Pipe Size (in.)	Nom. Pipe Size (in.)		
3/4	2	\$ 59.90	
1	4	165.90	
1 1/4	6	296.14	
1 1/2	8	445.58	

### Extruded Solid Shapes:

Factor	Alloy	Alloy
9-11	6063-T5	6062-T6
12-14	45.40-47.00	60.60-64.30
15-17	45.70-47.20	61.30-65.80
18-20	45.90-47.90	62.50-67.50
	46.50-48.30	64.50-70.10

### MAGNESIUM

**Sheet and Plate:** AZ31B standard grade, 0.32 in., 103.10; .081 in., 77.90; .125 in., 70.40; .188 in., 69.00; .250-2.0 in., 67.90. AZ31B spec grade, .032 in., 171.30; .081 in., 108.70; .125 in., 98.10; .188 in., 95.70; .250-2.0 in., 93.30. Tread plate, 60-192 in. lengths, 24-72 in. widths; .125 in., 74.90; .188 in., 71.70-72.70; .25-.75 in., 70.60-71.60. Tooling plate, .25-3.0 in., 73.00.

### Extruded Solid Shapes:

Factor	Com. Grade (AZ31C)	Spec. Grade (AZ31B)
6-8	69.60-72.40	84.60-87.40
12-14	70.70-73.00	85.70-88.00
24-26	75.60-76.30	90.60-91.30
36-38	89.20-90.30	104.20-105.30

## NONFERROUS SCRAP

### DEALER'S BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, New York, in ton lots.)  
**Aluminum:** 1100 clippings, 13.50-14.00; old sheets, 10.50-11.00; borings and turnings, 6.50

## BRASS MILL PRICES

### MILL PRODUCTS a

### SCRAP ALLOWANCES

	Sheet, Strip, Plate	Rod	Wire	Seamless Tubes	Clean Heavy	Rod Ends	Clean Turnings
Copper .....	50.13b	47.36c	.....	50.32	23.000	23.000	22.250
Yellow Brass .....	44.02	32.30d	44.56	46.93	17.375	17.125	15.750
Low Brass, 80% .....	46.50	46.44	47.04	49.31	19.500	19.250	18.750
Red Brass, 85% .....	47.37	47.31	47.91	50.18	20.250	20.000	19.500
Com. Bronze, 90% .....	48.78	48.72	49.32	51.34	21.000	20.750	20.000
Manganese Bronze .....	52.01	46.01	56.61	.....	16.125	15.875	15.375
Muntz Metal .....	46.39	42.20	.....	.....	16.375	16.125	15.625
Naval Brass .....	48.27	42.58	55.33	51.68	16.125	15.875	15.375
Silicon Bronze .....	54.76	53.95	54.80	56.74e	22.625	22.375	21.625
Phos. Silver, 10% .....	60.43	62.75	62.75	.....	23.625	23.375	21.813
Phos. Bronze, A-5% .....	69.07	69.57	69.57	70.75	23.750	23.500	22.500

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00; crankcases, 10.50-11.00; industrial cast-  
gs, 10.50-11.00.

**Copper and Brass:** No. 1 heavy copper and  
ire, 18.50-19.00; No. 2 heavy copper and wire,  
15.50-17.00; light copper, 14.50-15.00; No. 1  
composition red brass, 15.50-16.00; No. 1 com-  
position turnings, 15.00-15.50; new brass clip-  
pings, 13.00-13.50; light brass, 9.50-10.00;  
heavy yellow brass, 11.50-12.00; new brass rod  
ads, 12.00-12.50; auto radiators, unsweated,  
2.00-12.50; cocks and faucets, 12.50-13.00;  
rass pipe, 12.50-13.00.

**Lead:** Heavy, 8.50-8.75; battery plates, 3.50-  
75; linotype and stereotype, 10.25-10.75;  
ectrotype, 9.25-9.75; mixed babblitt, 10.50-  
1.00.

**Tin:** Clippings, 28.00-29.00; old sheets,  
5.00-26.00; turnings, 20.00-23.00; rods 28.00-  
9.00.

**Nickel:** Sheets and clips, 42.00-45.00; rolled  
nodes, 42.00-45.00; turnings, 37.00-40.00;  
od ends, 42.00-45.00.

**Iron:** Old zinc, 3.00-3.25; new diecast scrap,  
75-3.00; old diecast scrap, 1.50-1.75.

#### REFINERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered refinery)

**Aluminum:** 1100 clippings, 16.50-17.50; 3003  
lippings, 16.50-17.50; 6151 clippings, 16.00-  
7.50; 5052 clippings, 16.00-17.00; 2014 clip-  
pings, 15.50-17.00; 2017 clippings, 15.50-17.00;  
024 clippings, 15.50-17.00; mixed clippings,  
5.00-16.00; old sheets, 13.50; old cast, 13.50;  
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orings and turnings, 13.50-15.00.

**Beryllium Copper:** Heavy scrap, 0.020-in. and  
eavier, not less than 1.5% Be, 53.00; light  
crap, 48.00; turnings and borings, 33.00.

**Copper and Brass:** No. 1 heavy copper and  
wire, 21.25; No. 2 heavy copper and wire,  
9.25; light copper, 17.00; refinery brass  
(60% copper) per dry copper content, 19.00.

#### INGOTMAKERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered)

**Copper and Brass:** No. 1 heavy copper and  
wire, 21.25; No. 2 heavy copper and wire,  
9.25; light copper, 17.00; No. 1 composition  
orings, 18.50; No. 1 composition solids, 19.00;  
heavy yellow brass solids, 13.00; yellow brass  
urnings, 12.00; radiators, 15.00.

#### PLATING MATERIALS

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b lots; cast, 36.25, 5000-10,000 lb quantities.

**Nickel:** Depolarized, less than 100 lb, 114.25;  
10-499 lb, 112.00; 500-4999 lb, 107.50; 5000-  
9,999 lb, 105.25; 30,000 lb, 103.00. Carbonized,  
educt 3 cents a lb.

**Tin:** Bar or slab, less than 200 lb, 111.50; 200-  
99 lb, 110.00; 500-999 lb, 109.50; 1000 lb or  
more, 109.00.

**Zinc:** Balls, 17.50; flat tops, 17.50; flats,  
19.25; ovals, 18.50, ton lots.

##### CHEMICALS

**Cadmium Oxide:** \$1.70 per lb in 100-lb drums.  
**Chromic Acid:** 100 lb, 33.30; 500 lb, 32.80;  
2000 lb, 32.15; 5000 lb, 31.80; 10,000 lb, 31.30;  
f.o.b. Detroit.

**Copper Cyanide:** 100-200 lb, 71.60; 300-900  
lb, 69.60.

**Copper Sulphate:** 100-1900 lb, 14.55; 2000-5900  
lb, 12.55; 6000-11,900 lb, 12.30; 12,000-22,900  
lb, 12.05; 23,000 lb or more, 11.55.

**Nickel Chloride:** Less than 400 lb, 35.00; 400-  
9999 lb, 33.00; 10,000 lb, 32.50.

**Nickel Sulphate:** 5000-22,000 lb, 33.50; 23,000-  
35,900 lb, 33.00; 36,000 lb or more, 32.50.

**Sodium Cyanide:** 100 lb, 27.60; 200 lb, 25.90;  
400 lb, 22.90; 1000 lb, 21.90; f.o.b. Detroit.

**Sodium Stannate:** Less than 100 lb, 74.70; 100-  
800 lb, 65.80; 700-1900 lb, 63.00; 200-9900 lb,  
61.20; 10,000 lb or more, 59.80.

**Stannous Chloride (anhydrous):** Less than 25  
lb, 164.10; 25 lb, 129.10; 100 lb, 114.10; 400  
lb, 111.60; 5200-19,600 lb, 99.40; 20,000 lb or  
more, 87.20.

**Stannous Sulphate:** Less than 50 lb, 126.90; 50  
lb, 98.90; 100-1900 lb, 94.90; 2000 lb or more,  
92.90.

**Zinc Cyanide:** 100-200 lb, 59.00; 300-900 lb,  
57.00.

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**Youngstown**—The scrap market here is dull, with no improvement in sight. Steel ingot operations are down to 63 per cent; a further decline is indicated for Christmas week. A little No. 1 heavy melting industrial scrap moved to a couple district steel mills recently, but dealer scrap continues inactive.

**Detroit**—No scrap purchases were noted here last week, and prices remain unchanged. Local dealers and brokers are gloomy about prospects. They expect prices to slide again when auto lists come out. Preliminary reports on the Chrysler list indicate tonnages are substantially off for the end of December. It's expected that other lists will also be down.

**Buffalo**—Scrap prices are expected to drop sharply early next year unless the mills begin buying soon. Prices are nominal because of the absence of sales. The mills are using a high ratio of hot metal in their open hearth melts. And they are getting a good flow of prime auto plant scrap on a reciprocal basis, cutting down their requirements of dealer material.

District foundries are operating on reduced schedules. They need little additional cast scrap. Electric furnaces have also cut back on their scrap purchases.

**St. Louis**—Major consumers last week were completely out of the scrap market for No. 1 grades. Prices held unchanged, but they were nominal. No major sales, or price changes, are anticipated until after the turn of the year.

**Birmingham** — Scrap continues inactive. Most steel mills and foundries indicate they will be out

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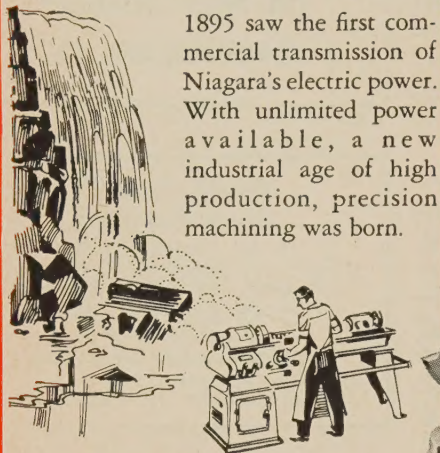
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of the market the remainder of this year. Some foundries made limited purchases of No. 1 cast at \$1 a ton over recent prices. Brokers predict little activity until the turn of the year.

**Seattle**—The scrap market continues to be inactive. Receipts are off, reflecting slow demand and unattractive prices. The mills are out of the market. They have comfortable inventories. Prices are nominal.

The export trade is equally inactive. Exporters do not expect Japan to resume purchasing until March. Full cargo charters are announced at \$65,000 to \$73,500 per vessel, North Pacific loading to Japan. The figures compare with a high of \$203,500, North Pacific loading, a year ago.

**San Francisco** — No change in steel scrap prices is expected the remainder of this month. Sluggish market conditions are continuing.

**Los Angeles**—The market undertone continues soft; little improvement is in sight. Lack of export demand to cushion slack domestic buying is expected to push prices lower.

### Iron Ore . . .

Iron Ore Prices, Page 106

Reflecting declining consumption, Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co. curtailed its iron ore mining operations in Michigan. It reduced its mine work force (about 175) closed to 5½ per cent—in addition to seasonal layoffs. About a month ago, the company started a four-day week at some of its Ishpeming and Negaunee properties.

### Pig Iron . . .

Pig Iron Prices, Page 105

Inquiry for merchant pig iron is at about the lowest level of the year. This is due to yearend inventory policies of consumers and to the fact that demand for castings is slow. Only a few foundries are working more than four days a week.

The outlook for merchant iron business in the first quarter is uncertain. Some market observers see little prospect of any substantial pickup for several months.

The widespread movement to curtail blast furnace operations



continues. But Sharon Steel Corp., Sharon, Pa., has relighted one of its two blast furnaces at its Roemer Works, Farrell, Pa. The furnace was shut down a month ago for repairs. The company's other furnace at Farrell, and one at its Lowellville (Pa.) Works are still idle. Sharon Steel is operating six open hearths out of 12 at Farrell and three out of five at Lowellville, and its two electric arc furnaces at Lowellville.

## Structural Shapes . . .

Structural Shape Prices, Page 98

Structural fabricating shops are working off backlogs which still run five to six months in most cases. New contracts are under price pressure in the East, and lower volume is more widely distributed, including small and medium-size bridges.

Building contractors are shopping around for lowest prices, with deliveries improving. A group of small fabricating shops is involved in price competition, accounting for the wider distribution of contracts.

Generally, structurals are in balance with demand, and yearend carryovers will be nil at structural mills. Less work is being estimated at the engineering-planning level, which is usually four to six months ahead of the structural shops.

Heavy wide-flange beams are the only product which Pittsburgh area fabricators can't always obtain in desired quantities. New orders for light structurals in that area are slipping.

## Warehouse . . .

Warehouse Prices, Page 105

All warehouse steel products are included in a general sales slowdown. Consumers are buying only tonnages needed for current needs and are requesting prompt shipment. There is no indication that volume of bookings will be larger next month.

Mills are offering distributors extra tonnages of structural shapes, eliminating one of the last shortages of products. In a few districts, the supply of heavy plates is tight, but most distributors have a well balanced inventory of all items.

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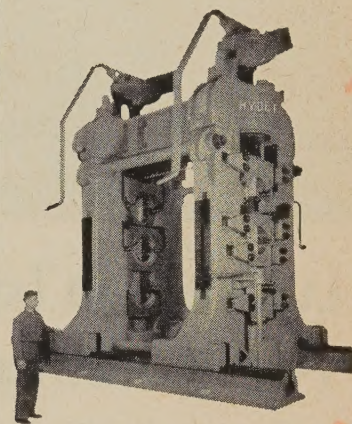
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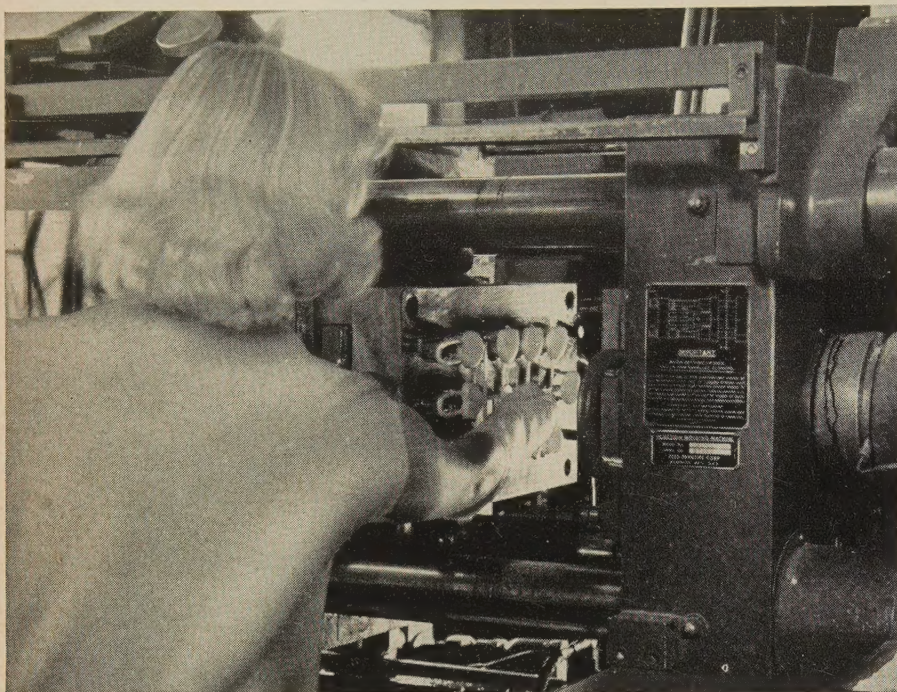
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## Lustre-Die Takes High Polish For Molding Plastic Rattles

Shreve Molded Products, Youngstown, Ohio, needed an injection mold for the production of heart-shaped parts for baby rattles, using acetate and styrene plastics. They wanted a mold capable of taking a high polish, so as to produce unusually attractive parts. In addition, the mold had to have the stamina to perform economically during long production runs.

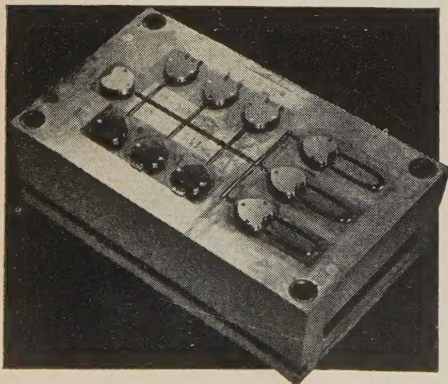
The problem was put up to Leed Steel Co., Buffalo, N. Y., Bethlehem's local tool

steel distributor. Their recommendation was Lustre-Die tool steel. It proved to be an excellent choice, too, for the mold, which was produced by Tri-Penn Tool Co., Erie, Pa., has been satisfactory in every way.

Lustre-Die is ideal tool steel for producing plastic parts because its properties enable it to take an unbelievably bright, mirror-like polish. Not only does Lustre-Die have the proper basic analysis for working with plastics—we even go a step beyond that by adding alloy fortification. We also build up the steel's excellent properties by oil-quenching and tempering, so that it can be furnished ready for machining and polishing.

Lustre-Die is made in the electric furnace, and is carefully inspected to insure cleanliness. It has a minimum of inclusion-causing additions. Besides, modern inspection methods hold injurious porosity to the minimum.

If you have any questions about Lustre-Die, or if you would like to give it a trial run, your Bethlehem tool steel distributor will be pleased to assist you.



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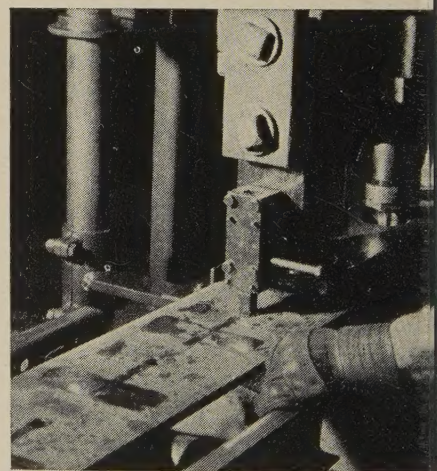


*It Pays to Keep Tools Sharp*

In many shops, resharpening of production cutting tools is sadly neglected. An effort to keep output high, too many tools are kept in use beyond the point where the cutting edges become excessively dull.

What happens when edges are dull? The dull edges cause an increase in the service load of the shearing or cutting operation. If the dullness is carried to extremes, tools break. Dull edges also produce rough surfaces on the parts which may lead to rejections due to defects, or because the permissible tolerances have been exceeded.

Should resharpening be delayed too long, it may be impossible to recondition a tool properly, as deep spalls, cracks and gouges cannot be removed. Usually there is an economic balance point where it is best to resharpen, and for each operation this should be determined in advance. Tools should also be inspected regularly to prevent excessive dulling. Intelligent use of preventive maintenance of cutting edges can work wonders in providing longer tool life and fewer broken tools.



### Bearcat Puts Square Holes in 1/2-in. Plate

In this operation, photographed by Frink Sno-Plows, Inc., Clayton, N. Y., Bethlehem Bearcat is putting 11/16-in. square holes in carbon-steel plate, used as cutting edge of snow plows. Though the steel plate is 1/2 in. thick, the average life of each punch is 5500 holes.